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Today's Weather

Sunny
High- 81
Low- 57

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Student refund checks delayed for fall semester

By DANELLE MILLER
News Co-Editor

Refunds will not be distributed to students until September 21 due to changes by enrollment services.

Brian Barden is the executive director of enrollment services. Barden decided to move the date that students can receive refunds from the first day of school to September. "As long as I've been here, refunds were always given on the first day of school," Barden said.

"There were three reasons for the change. First, the university was advancing money before the money was available," Barden said. "Second, this streamlines processing by making staff available to students on the first day. Third, this gives a clean, clear picture of a student's financial aid." An example Barden

gave was a student who got a refund, then later added classes. The student would then have to pay money for the added class. By delaying the allotment of refunds, the students' financial aid is more accurate.

For students who need money immediately, there is a link on the Mansfield University web page under current students/ student accounts. Money can be received on the first day of school by filling out either a Book Credit Form or an Emergency Cash Advance Form. According to the Refund Procedure web page, "requests for emergency funds will be considered if your financial aid is finalized and exceeds your charges."

Another plus for the processing of financial aid will be the "one-stop shop" area being built in South Hall. Upon completion, South Hall will

contain the Financial Aid Office, Admissions Offices, Student Accounts Office, and the Registrars Office. Chris Vaughn is the director of financial planning. "[The 'one-stop shop' area] is a great concept because students will no longer have to go from one end of campus to the other. It will be easier to get the answers they need," Vaughn said.

Barden is available for anybody who has questions regarding refunds. He can be reached at (570) 662-4813 or bbarden@mansfield.edu. His office is located on the ground floor of Alumni Hall. The link to



PHOTO FROM GOOGLE.COM

Refunds will not be available until September 21. Students can request a cash advance by filling out a form on the Student Accounts web site.

obtain money in advance is <http://www.mansfield.edu/~accounts/refundprocedure.htm>.

Construction on South Hall almost complete

By DANELLE MILLER
News Co-Editor

South Hall construction is near completion and is expected to be in use by January 2008.

Gregory Black is the Project Manager at Mansfield University. "Contractors have until the end of October to finish the work," Black said. "The university will begin their work on South Hall as soon as possible."

The Flashlight's last update on South Hall was in February. Since then, workers have almost completed the outside, as well as the inside. The inside walls have been framed as well as dry wall being put in place.

The process of rebuilding South Hall began in the summer of 2006. South Hall was demolished, so excavating could take place between the summer and fall. One obstacle that was faced before construction could take place was the approval process in Harrisburg, which delayed construction for 4 months.

Once construction took place, workers found unsuitable soil. "We had two extremes," Black said. "Parts of the soil were too soft, so we had to backfill the soft spots with gravel. The other was rock, which we had to jackhammer through so we could dig to the depth needed."

Throughout the process workers requested two changes in the schedule, making for longer work days. The first was requested in order to set the foundation in a timely manner. The second was to move in steel supports for the building.

Mansfield appoints new director of Residence Life

By KARA NEWCOMER
Editor-in-Chief

Mr. Charles Colby came to Mansfield University from the University of Tulsa. Where he worked with everything relating to student support services. He felt that Mansfield was a good fit for him because he has always liked this area and the University of Tulsa is almost the same size as Mansfield.

Since Colby arrived in June he has been very busy updating the residence halls, mainly Cedarcrest Manor.

"The work that we did in Cedarcrest will be well received by returning students and especially incoming freshman," Colby said.

Colby's residence life staff and student workers moved over 1800 pieces of furniture out of Cedarcrest to be replaced. Students living



PHOTO FROM MANSFIELD.EDU

Charles Colby worked hard over the summer to make improvements for students.

in Cedarcrest will now be able to enjoy new beds, dressers and desks.

Colby has also ordered new furniture for several other dorm lobbies including Cedarcrest, Maple and Pinecrest. Students can expect to see the new lounge furniture around October.

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Weekly
Weather

TODAY

Sunny

High: 81 Low: 57

TUESDAY

Partly
Cloudy

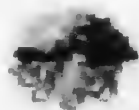
High: 83 Low: 60

WEDNESDAY

Partly
Cloudy

High: 83 Low: 59

THURSDAY

Scattered
T-Storms

High: 78 Low: 50

FRIDAY

Scattered
Showers

High: 72 Low: 49

SATURDAY

Mostly
Sunny

High: 71 Low: 47

SUNDAY

Mostly
Sunny

High: 71 Low: 47

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'SOUTH HALL'

Offices that are expected to move into South Hall are admissions on the ground floor. ACT 101, TRIO, Advising, Psychology, and Counseling Offices will be on the first floor. The second floor will hold the Student Accounts, Financial Aid, Registrars, and more Psychology Offices.

Because all of the offices will be in one area, South Hall will be a "one-stop shop." Chris Vaughn is the director of Financial Aid. "The concept [of the "one-stop shop"] will be a time saver for students and will be less confusing. One person will be able to work on a problem without making the student go from one building to the other," Vaughn said.

Black also discussed new projects for the future. Allen Hall is scheduled for renovations in the summer of 2008. Allen will contain the Art and Communications Departments as well as the Television Studio. In September, the plans for Allen will be presented to the Council of Trustees.

The next phase of the Grant Science Center was approved. "We are now deciding how to best utilize the money," Black said.

A new elevator will be built in the Butler Center. The design calls for a glass wall in the car which will overlook the football stadium.

The radio station has a booth being built by facilities personnel in Alumni Hall on the second floor.

'COLBY'

Colby has also made some changes to the 'Mountie Move-in' to help make it easier for freshman and returning students to register and move into their dorm rooms.

Colby also plans to make students lives easier when it comes to repairs. Right now Residence Life is working on utilizing software that will allow students to fill out work orders online when something breaks in their room. Colby hopes that this will help the repairs to be made faster.

Colby is also looking forward to working with Jim Harrington, the Director of Student Life and Leadership, to help improve student life and programming for students. He wants to promote the Mountaineer Leadership Program among students, particularly RA's and get the Student Government Association and All Residence Hall Council to work more closely with each other.

Other plans for the university include updates to Manser Dining Hall and one of the most important projects Colby is working on is increased security within the residence halls. After the tragedies at Virginia Tech Colby says that there is going to be an increase in security on college campuses nationwide and Mansfield is already a part of that movement.

Students have the option of being alerted via a text message on their cell phones if there is a campus emergency. The system was already tested on cabinet members when Mansfield held a lockdown drill on Monday, August 20.

Emergency lockdown procedure a success

Mansfield University tested its emergency action plan with a lock-down drill on Monday, August 20.

When the lock-down was announced by President Maravene Loeschke at mid-morning, the newly revised campus emergency notification plan was activated and university buildings were secured.

Notifications were sent by a voice mail message to every campus telephone, e-mail to all students, faculty and staff on their campus e-mail account, an 'Emergency Alert' message on the university web site home page, a message on the campus emergency phone line, a message on the university in-house TV channel, a text message to the cell phones of students, faculty and staff, a text message to all computers logged on to the university system and a voice message broadcast over the university carillon system.

"The drill was an excellent," MU President Maravene Loeschke said. "We reaffirmed that our emergency communication is effective, clear, efficient and swift. By actually going through the steps, we discovered places where improvements can be made and are taking the steps to continuously upgrade our emergency procedures. The university will conduct another lock-down drill at the start of the spring semester when the students have returned. We intend to conduct the drill at the start of every semester thereafter."

"There have been a lot of people on campus talking about what a lock-down is, which was one of my main goals," Jim Welch, Environmental Health & Safety coordinator, said. "Everyone I talked to was very pleased with the electronic messaging which was utilized to announce the emergency. We are soliciting feedback campus wide on the drill to have anyone make suggestions for what went well and what needs to be improved. This will give us a basis to grow on in the future and provide an increased level of security for the Mansfield University Community."

MU students arrive on campus for the fall semester on Saturday and Sunday, August 25-26. Convocation will be held Monday, August 27 at 2 p.m. in Straughn Hall to officially begin the new academic year. Classes begin Monday at 4 p.m.

POLICE BEAT

June 30, 2007- Underage Drinking - Police were dispatched to Maple A 313 for an intoxicated, unresponsive male. Police arrived on the scene to find Jason Livelsberger, 19, who had allegedly consumed large amounts of alcohol. Emergency Medical Services was dispatched and attended to Livelsberger. The defendant was cited for Underage Consumption and referred to Residence Life.

July 27, 2007- Disorderly Conduct - There was a verbal and physical altercation between Evan Pritchard, 21, and John Gamble, 19. Later in the evening Pritchard defaced university property with food. Both students were cited.

Aug. 17, 2007- Criminal Mischief - Unknown subjects entered the South Hall construction area, painting the walls on the ground floor with gray spray paint. Dumping drywall compound on the elevator floor and walls. Any information please contact the University Police Department at (570) 662-4900.

Flashlight

Puzzle Page

Weekly Crossword

Across

1. Seeks information
5. Discover
9. First name in Chinese Communists
12. Drab
13. Mentholated
14. Tasty winter drink
15. MANTEL
18. Self
19. Something to dip in 14 Across
20. Put clothes on
21. Palindromic pet
22. Ground corn
24. AARON
31. Travels on ice, accidentally
32. Shoppe beverage option
33. Ground metal
34. Bee home
35. Annoyances
36. Ones state before 20 Across
37. Loneliest number
38. Anatomical network
39. Taste or smell
40. RUTH
44. Assists
45. Butterfly catcher
46. Pastoral poem
49. Fence portal
51. Vacation spot
54. JACKSON
58. She always gets what she wants
59. Imp
60. Drab

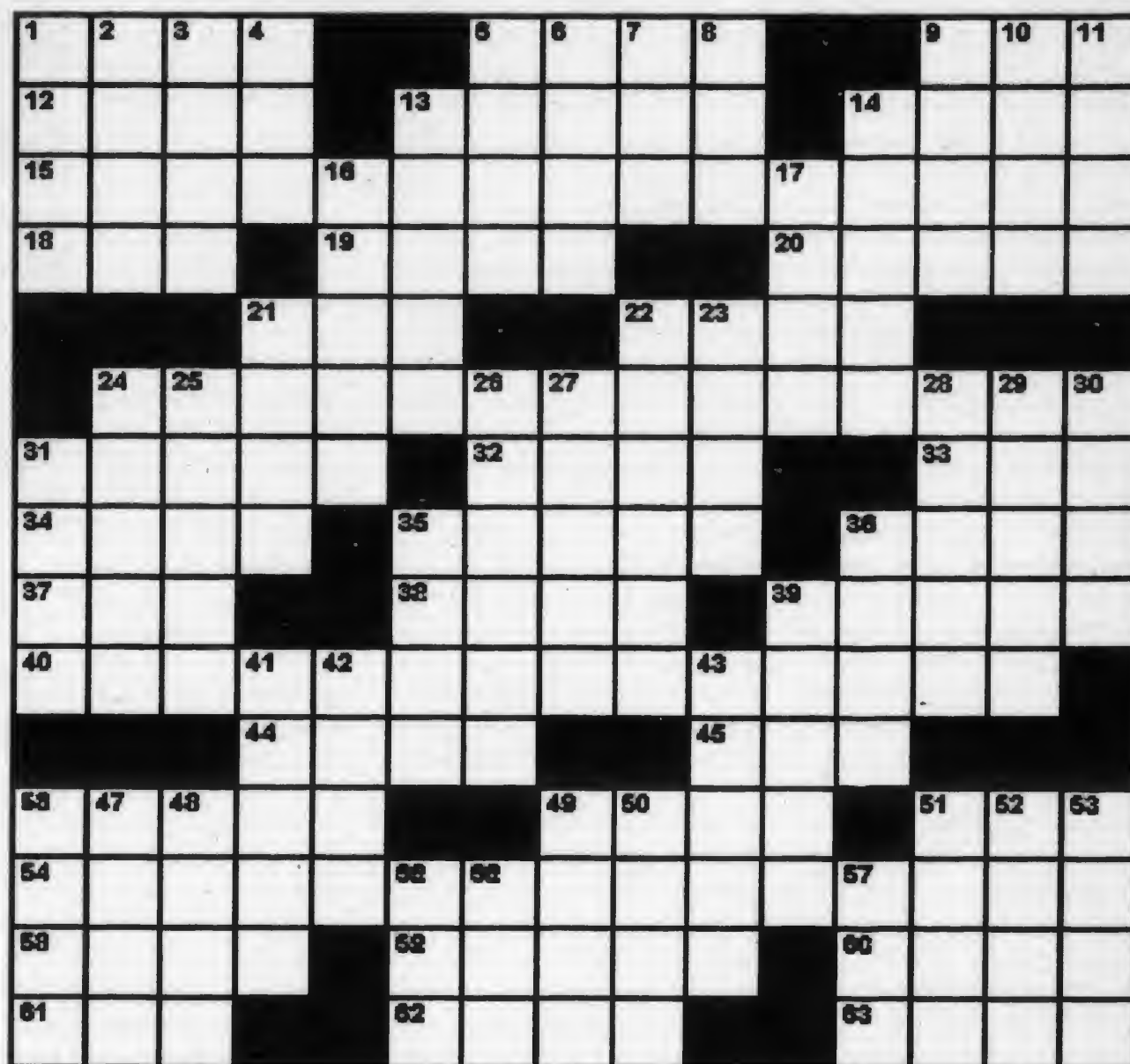
61. Before, poetically

62. Satisfy

63. React to appropriately

Down

1. Adept
2. Molten leftovers
3. Put Rocky on the floor
4. That female subject
5. Drum partner
6. Excited about
7. Ultimate degree
8. Change color
9. Not less
10. Play portions
11. Audience responses to danger
13. Change shape
14. Charlie in Chihuahua
16. Disorderly defeats
17. Made cheese backwards
21. Church leader
22. Liquefied, as lava
23. Newts' relatives
24. Russian pancake, served with fish eggs
25. Metal fastener
26. Islamic prince
27. Follower of Haile Salassie, for short
28. White Italian wine
29. Computer glitch
30. Crystal ball gazer
31. Search in a supermarket
35. Cattle stick, may be electronic



36. Thai money
39. Having a significant slope
41. WWII Conference location
42. Seek trout
43. Like the best beer
46. Here on Gilligan's ____
47. Wall portal
48. Type of holiday log
49. Example of 35 Across
50. Highest point
51. Bump ones toe
52. Like some ale
53. Close associate
55. Curvy letter
56. Early music company
57. Altar vow

Look for the solution to this weeks crossword in the next issue of *The Flashlight!*

Interested in becoming the Flashlight Games Editor?

Stop by our meetings at 2 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays in AHSC 314.

Despite poor past decisions, MAC organizes Homecoming

BY MIKE LENGEL
Features Editor

Homecomings are the same every year. Kings and queens in Corvette convertibles, football games, alumni, school colors, parades, yadda, yadda. But now we all must be thinking the same thing: that schoolwide spirit crushing decision last fall to rid of the football team pretty much makes homecoming just a date in the calendar to wake up and say, "Now what do we do?" Well have no fear, students. There *is* something to do, and this something is much better than watching any parade.

The Orange County rock group, Jack's Mannequin will perform in Decker Gymnasium on October 6th at 8:00. Thanks to substantial efforts by Mark Ewing, the student producer of the concert, the group added the show, making it their 3rd concert of that weekend, followed by shows at Rutgers University, and IUP. Ewing, who spoke to the band's agent, has titled the concert appropriately, "A Homecoming from Real," a play on the title of the opening track of J.M.'s album, "Holiday from Real."

Jack's Mannequin's only album, *Everything in Transit*, was released in August 2005 after lead singer Andrew McMahon (also of Something Corporate) was diagnosed with acute lymphoblastic leukemia. The songs on the album show pieces of the story of recovery and returning home. The album's first single, "The Mixed Tape," talks about his comeback to the world post cancer, and his mix of emotions. Lyrics like, "Have you ever been alone in a crowded room?" from "Dark Blue" and "Now every word of every song / that made me want to stay / is what's playing through the in-flight radio" from "Bruised" paint the out of place picture, which is the most common theme throughout the album. It's nice to think that when listening to a song like this, you're hearing true emotion from a true situation, like sitting down with your best friend. Relation is the key with music like that of Jack's Mannequin.

However, lyrics like "I got money bags big as a pumpkin get / And pistols as long as the hand Shaq dunkin' wit," or the literary

masterpiece (note the sarcasm), "Meet me in the trap, its goin' down / Meet me in the mall, its goin' down / Meet me in the club, its goin' down / Anywhere ya meet me, guaranteed to go down," aren't what I'd call relatable. But I guess that's overlooked in Mansfield Activities Committee, or MAC, surpassed by what song is currently being blasted out of annoying, cheesy car speakers around campus. See, the live performance is supposed to be an enjoyable, memorable experience for the audience and the artist alike. For the audience of our Lloyd Banks concert 2 years ago, a few girls got the nice memory of being dropped off in Corning after being herded on Banks' tour bus like cattle. That's a good one to tell the grandkids. Then for our Young Joc concert last year, we got the nice memory of having our main act drop out because the show was so poorly coordinated, Juelz Santana was booked for 3 different shows that day, and of course went where the money was.

Some relation was considered in those concerts, however. The rap scene is bigger than ever, and is still growing, especially in the college student/twenty-something age group. So why all the fuss about heightened security? No, there were no efforts to prevent a good time. No, it wasn't a race issue. Unfortunately, today's rap is categorized with violence and things of that nature. I'm glad those security guards and police officers took time away from their families and friends to work that show and make sure no one gets hurt. Banks was quite appreciative too, and to show this he instructed the crowd to hold middle fingers up to them and chant "F*** the police!" You'd think after an incident like that, MAC would put it's metaphorical foot down. But no, this past year students paid their money to *not* see Juelz Santana, listen to Young Joc talk for 45 minutes, and give an audience member a lap dance. A well spent \$50,000, MAC. Thanks for the memories.

"We wanted to go to that rock/emo genre of music," says Ewing. "We have had rock bands, but this is a genre that we haven't used before." In the past, MAC has also hosted bands like Fuel, 3 Doors Down, and OAR, who all fall into the alternative

category. With the California wannabe crowd that Mansfield seems to attract (no hating there, as I, myself, wish I lived there), Jack's Mannequin can be heard on the Laguna Beach soundtrack, therefore presenting a very positive student reaction. Again, relation is the key. It's not just students that are going to show up, however. Thanks again to Ewing's efforts to publicize the show, he says, "People from Maine, North Carolina, New Jersey, Ohio — people are coming from all around for this show." Ewing has sent a mass event notification on Facebook, and has even posted on online message boards for the band. Ewing came to the decision that Jack's Mannequin should play in Mansfield after seeing them live. "The guy (Andrew McMahon) stood on stage and goes, 'I'm thankful to be alive' because he had cancer, and I stood in the audience and said to myself, 'He'll go anywhere. He's just happy to be alive and playing,' so I took a stab at it," Ewing grins. "And, well, he's here."

You can check out Jack's Mannequin online at www.jacksmannequin.com or at the band's MySpace page, www.myspace.com/jacksmannequin.



GOOGLE IMAGES

Jack's Mannequin will perform in Decker Gymnasium on Homecoming, October 6th at 8:00.



GOOGLE IMAGES

Jack's Mannequin is a side project of Something Corporate frontman, Andrew McMahon.

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What's hot, what's not: Summer 2007

HOT

By MIKE LENGEL
Flashlight Features Editor

David Beckham: After his stunning decision to leave Real Madrid for Major League Soccer on July 1st, he is the hopeful to take the LA Galaxy to the playoffs, a near impossible feat in the past. *(right)*

Superbad: Blowing up at the box office, *Superbad* grossed \$33,052,411 on its opening weekend. A rated R comedy, the silly humor disguises a "coming of age" tale that all ages appreciate, despite the abundant sex jokes. *(left)*



LiveEarth: Claimed by the website to be the largest global entertainment ever held, 2 billion people worldwide attended

the concerts, which took place on July 7th at one location on all seven continents. Fifteen million people watched the concert via streaming video on the internet. *(right)*

Bad weather: Consistent rain the Midwest is relieving the summer drought for farmers. Scientists say corn and soybean crops are the most benefited. Rain also brings cooler temperatures, which is better for livestock.



Michael Vick: Vick was indicted by a federal jury on dogfighting charges in late May. Since then, Vick has agreed to a plea bargain, which marks the first signs of progress in the case, but he has missed practice and preseason, a blow to the Atlanta Falcons' offense.

Lindsay Lohan: Lohan reached a plea bargain on charges of DUI misdemeanor and drug related offenses. She was placed on a 36 month probation, and has to check into drug rehab... again. *(right)*



Washington D.C.: The nation's capitol declined offers to hold the United State's LiveEarth stage in the National Mall. LiveEarth

offered \$1.5 million dollars to pay for security, and no taxpayers dollars would go into the event.



Bridges: A bridge collapse in Minneapolis left 13 dead and millions fearful in early August. Since the last body was recently found, efforts to clean up and rebuild have just started, predicting a re-opening date in 2008.

Opinion & Editorial

"from the editor's desk"



Looking forward to a new year

Mansfield's history that there won't be a football season to look forward to. No first game, no homecoming game and certainly no half-time shows for "The Pride of Pennsylvania" to perform.

It's my understanding that the annual 1890's Weekend celebration is still going to happen. Which I suppose makes sense because its celebrating the first night game, not the current football games.

Homecoming will be another story, although there will be plenty of events for students to attend including a band exhibition and the "Homecoming from Real" concert featuring Jacks Mannequin, nothing can quite replace a good old fashioned game of pigskin.

With no more halftime shows the band, "The Pride of Pennsylvania," will now be limited to performing at competitions and exhibitions.

Although not having any football games to look forward to is a disappointment I think that every other aspect of this university is

looking better.

From just recently speaking with the Residence Life Director, Charles Colby, the dorms, especially Cedarcrest, have gotten a major overhaul with brand new furniture. (See the article on page 1 for more)

Also the entire campus should be changing for the better within the next couple years. South Hall should be completed this January with many other much needed renovations on buildings such as Allen and Butler starting in the neat future. Again, see the article on page 1 for more.

I think in five years it will be really interesting to see where President Loeschke's new administration takes Mansfield University. Hopefully it will be better than it ever was before, which kinda makes me wish I'd be around a little longer. Haha, I actually can't wait to graduate, but I'll definitely be back to visit.

What do YOU think??

Do you think Mansfield is changing for the better?

Disagree??

GREAT!!

We want to hear your opinion!

Send us your thoughts in an e-mail at flashlit@mansfield.edu and we'll print them in the next issue of *The Flashlight*!

First I would just like to say welcome back to all returning students and welcome to the new freshman, this is going to be an interesting year at Mansfield. But one that I'm looking forward to. Not only am I looking forward to this year because it's my senior year and I'll be graduating in May (Congrats ahead of time to those who will be joining me) I'm looking forward to this year because I want to see how the university and the campus community is going to handle this fall semester.

This will be the first time in

Meet the Fall 2007 Flashlight staff



From left to right:

Eric Bohannon, the new sports editor, is a senior communication major with a dual emphasis in broadcasting and journalism.

Danelle Miller is a sophomore communication major with an emphasis in Broadcast journalism is one of the news co-editors.

Carrie Goodyear is a senior communication major with an emphasis in public relations is co-editor with Danelle.

Mike Lengel is a senior English major and the new features editor for *the Flashlight*.

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Cross Country Preview: New and Old runners coming together as Cross Country Team Develops Great Team Chemistry

By ERIC BOHANNON

Sports Editor

The expectations are high for the Mansfield cross country team this year. The men have three runners returning who have been athletes of the year at Mansfield, while the women have a little less experience but have had a good summer and are having a good camp.

"This is the best camp I've ever had in my six years that I've been here," Head coach Mike Rohl said. "Their attitudes have been great, the returners have come back in great shape and they have done a great job in leading the team. This is the most miles that a group has put in running over the summer, and it shows, especially the newcomers, they have been great."

The three men that are returning athletes of the year are seniors Chris Cummings, Dave Sanford and Josh Wooten. Cummings has been named athlete of the year four times, and holds 12 school records. Sanford and Wooten hold two records apiece.

"I don't have anything but high expectations out of these three, and they are right where I expect them to be," Rohl said of his senior leaders. "Chris has done an especially good job of being the team captain and setting the tone for the team."

John-Mark Stoltz is only a sophomore, but after a solid freshman season, is running right with the top three runners.

"John-Mark came here to help this program and make us a top team every year," Rohl said. "So far he has fulfilled the expectations that we had for him."

The newcomers are also off to a strong start in camp. Joe Stanek and Bret Kilfner are off to solid starts, as well as Chris Bogenschutz, Sean Vollenweider and George Opdyke.

"Joe and Bret have been running right with the top three guys," Rohl said. "The other three are not that far off. Most of them were state medalist in high school and they've been working very hard."

The women are not quite as experienced as the men, but have been working hard and coming together as a team.

Sarah Pinkowski is the only senior on the team and has done a great job as being the leader of the team.

"She's a great story, she's a tough runner and a great leader," Rohl said. Junior Clarissa Correll is in great shape after a summer where she ran with assistant coach Michelle Rohl.

"Training with Michelle made her a better runner," Rohl said. "Anytime you can train with a former Olympian your going to get better, and she has continued to improve throughout camp."

Sophomores Christyna Cain and Jess Wagner have had a strong camp and add depth to the lineup.

The newcomers have also been impressive throughout the early days of camp.

"Brenae Edwards is going to be very good, a lot of schools missed out on her and how good she is going to be," Rohl said. "Irene Primmer is also having a good camp. She has responded to every challenge I've given her and I think doing better already than she thought she could do. Michelle Clark is another freshman that is doing well. She's a scrappy runner that will help us throughout the season."

Rohl expects the men to be near the top of the region and possibly be nationally ranked at some point of the season. The women have a little ways to go, but are not far off, and with the experience they are gaining, they are continuing to get better.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Josh Wooten is back for his final season of track after spending a year in Thailand.

Soccer Preview: Soccer Seeks First Playoff Appearance

By ERIC BOHANNON

Sports Editor

The 2006 version of the Mansfield women's soccer team got off to a slow start by losing their first six games, but played better in the second half of the season to finish 5-11-2. This year's team is hoping to carry the momentum of the second half of last season into this season.

"Getting off to a good start is important for us," head coach Tim Dempsey said. "We played with more confidence at the end of last season and we started to get more scoring chances."

Dempsey is excited that this team can get Mansfield to their first playoff appearance in the schools history.

"We have a good nucleus of our team returning and they understand the effort it takes to make the playoffs. We can accomplish that. They know the level of competition there playing against and after the end of last season they have the experience and confidence to play against that competition."

Leading the offense this year will be the two leading goal scorers in Mansfield soccer history, Lyndi Keiser, 17 goals, and Colleen Corcoran, 16 goals. Anita Valerio and Caroline Furmato will also be counted on for offense this year.

"We expect that Lyndi and Colleen will get there goals, but Anita can get some chances from her midfield position and Caroline can create scoring chances as well, that will create more opportunities for Lyndi and Colleen also," Dempsey said. The Mountaineers will also look for scoring from junior Kaytlen Robinson, as well as newcomers Jackie

Karlovich and Karli Nester.

"Kaytlen is doing some things skill wise that she wasn't doing last year," Dempsey said of the junior. "She has worked hard in the off season and got confidence from her time on the field last year."

Defensively, the Mountaineers lost two solid players to graduation in Desiree Boris and Vanessa Wengen. Robyn Travisano has started every game in her career and is back for her senior season on defense. Katie Parsnik and Brittany Lauck both saw playing time as freshman last year.

"They both started some guys for us last year. They have the skills, they just need to be a little more consistent," Dempsey said.

Freshman defender Kelsey Gelina has impressed the coaches with her hard work and effort. "She has shown us some things. She came in good shape and should help us this year."

Justine Seager returns in goal after playing in every minute of every game last season. Seager has some competition this year with freshmen Kaitlyn Antolic and Samantha DeLiere.

"Both freshmen have been working really hard," Dempsey said. "Justine has also picked up her game. She's doing some things she didn't do all the time last year. The competition has made her a better player."

Another change for the Mountaineers this year will be the number of people on the sidelines. Coach Dempsey will have three volunteer assistant coaches. Brandon Fields, a

former Mountaineer football player, has worked with the goalies, while Professor Henrik Madsen and Eric Sira have also helped with the team.

"It's nice to have them on the sidelines," Dempsey said. "I can't be everywhere at once and they can see some of the things I can't."

SPORTS INFORMATION
Junior Kaytlen Robinson is having an impressive camp while the Mountaineers for the season opener against Edinboro.



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Field Hockey Preview: Field Hockey team looks to make repeat appearance to playoffs in pursuit of first ever Championship in Field Hockey



SPORTS INFORMATION

Ryanne Higgins broke the school record for assists in a season last year with 12.

By ERIC BOHANNON

Flashlight Sports Editor

The Mansfield field hockey team made history last year by making the playoffs for the first time in school history. The majority of starters from that team are back and are not only looking to make a return trip to the playoffs, but to win a championship.

"We had fun in the playoffs last year and it's definitely a goal to make it back," Head coach Diane Monkiewicz said. "We want to build off our experience from last year and strive for a championship, not just the playoffs."

"Camp has been going very well. We have stayed relatively injury free so far and our intensity level has been pretty good," Monkiewicz said. "There haven't been any surprises this year, which is a good thing. It looks like we picked up right where we left off, which is a good thing."

The team will have a lot of offensive forces who will be able to score, with the top five scorers returning

from last year starting off with senior Ryanne Higgins who tied the school record for most points scored in one season with 47, (18 goals, 11 assists). Breanne Tobin, Keely Jarrett, Carlyn Spangler and Shana Markwis will help Higgins carry an offense that outscored opponents 61-48 last year.

It will be tough for opposing defenses to key on any one person since there are so many offensive weapons to cover.

"They all have the potential to put the ball in the back of the cage," Monkiewicz said. It's nice to have a lot of weapons that can score."

Juniors Rebekah Brown and Laura Carden will give the offense some depth along with sophomore Kayla Carter and freshman Amanda Yohn.

While the offense is led by the senior captains, Higgins, Markwis and Jarrett, the defense is lead by a pair of sophomores. Sophomores Courtney Grunza and Jenna Shaub return after starting every game as freshmen.

"Courtney has an amazing wing

span and can strip the ball very well," Monkiewicz said. "Jenna is also coming off of a solid freshmen season."

Junior Shantee Proctor will see time on defense after appearing in eight games last year. Fellow junior Christi Carter will provide solid backup.

Returning in goal for the Mountaineers will be junior Brianna DeLuca. DeLuca started every game last year as a sophomore leading the PSAS conference in saves with 183. DeLuca broke the school record for shutouts in a season with five, and was second in the conference.

DeLuca will be backed up by sophomore Hayley Tuckey.

The team opens its season in Ohio to face Bellarmine College before traveling to Mercyhurst College. The home opener will be at 12 p.m. on Sunday September 2 against Bryant College. Their home opener will be Saturday Sept. 8th at 12 p.m. against IUP.

Coming up in Mountie Sports

August 26	27	28	29 Soccer vs Shippensburg	30	31	Sept. 1 Cross Country at Airfield Opener in Oneonta, NY
2 Field Hockey vs Bryant	3 Soccer @ Kutztown	4	5 Field Hockey @ Millersville	6	7	8 Field Hockey vs IUP Soccer @ Millersville

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Today's Weather
Mostly Sunny



High- 85°F
Overnight Low- 61°F

Information taken from
weather.com

"And the band played on"

By REBECCA HAZEN

Flashlight Writer

The Spirit and The Pride of PA, Mansfield University's marching band, is getting ready for a busy season despite there being no football team this year.

This year, the marching band is performing pieces from the popular band, The Beatles, including, "Magical Mystery Tour", "Gotta Get You Into My Life", "Eleanor Rigby", "Norwegian Wood", and will finish with a combined arrangement of "Let It Be", and "With a Little Help From My Friends".

Dr. Brennan, Director of Bands and head of the Music Department, is saddened to see the loss of the football team, but he also believes that this should not and will not hurt the marching band's ability to perform.

"We hope people will recognize that the band is not dependent upon football to survive, and that the closing of the football program here does not mean that the band program is also closing," Brennan said.

The marching band played two traditional performances for the incoming freshman during the first week back. During Mountie move-in and another performance to teach the words and tune of the university's Alma Mater and



PHOTO BY REBECCA HAZEN

The Spirit and the Pride of Pennsylvania perform for the incoming freshman during the opening weekend festivities. The band will perform about 10 times during the fall semester.

Fight Song. They also performed at Convocation which was held on Monday August 27th.

On August 31st, the annual Josh Palmer Pig Skin Classic occurred at North Penn High School. The Spirit and Pride was invited to perform and represent the university. This game - which is a benefit for cancer - has normally been held at Van Norman field, but it was moved this year due to there being no football team.

On October 6, Mansfield University will be

celebrating homecoming, but the school will also be hosting an exhibition. The Spirit and The Pride have invited bands to perform in the homecoming parade, and in the afternoon some of the visiting bands will be performing. The show will close with a performance of the MU marching band.

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Commuter Students get connected in Maple Manor

By KARA NEWCOMER

Editor-in-Chief

Mansfield University is improving life for commuters. President Loeschke, Director of Student Life and Leadership; Jim Harrington, and new Director of Residence Life, Chuck Colby, have teamed up to bring Mansfield's commuters the "Commuter Connection."

"Commuter Connection" is one of the many steps administration is taking to make Mansfield a better place for commuters. The goal of "Commuter Connection" is to connect the commuter students with the activities that are happening on campus.

The first floor of Maple Manor B-side has been converted into a lounge, study lounge and dorm rooms for commuters to stay overnight. During the day, commuters will be able to rest in between their classes. The "Commuter Connection" is also right



PHOTO BY RESIDENCE LIFE

Commuter students can relax in the Commuter Connection found on the 1st floor of Maple B

next to the Maple Manor recreation room.

Two open house receptions will be held today from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. and 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. in the Maple Manor lounge for all students to come and see the new "mini-dorm." Light refreshments will be served.

President Loeschke says that the true purpose of the "Commuter Connection" is to make it easier for commuter students to participate in extracurricular activities on campus and to really become a part of campus life.

"We're really trying to listen to what we're hearing from students," Loeschke said. "We want to help commuter students become actively involved on campus."

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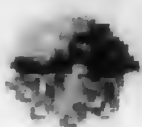
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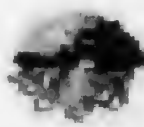
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WEDNESDAY



Sunny

High: 67 Low: 48

Information taken from
www.weather.comMansfield improves security
measures in residence hallsBy REYNA GUY
Flashlight Writer

Mansfield Students are now in lockdown twenty-four hours a day.

Students cannot enter any residence life building on campus without their keys. The residence life staff also encourages students to not prop open the doors to the halls because this is a safety hazard.

Precautions like these are being made across the nation to prevent incidents like Virginia Tech from happening again. Since the incident is still fresh in our minds, students this year are coming to school feeling less at ease. However, new security measures have been installed to make sure that students feel safer while on campus.

Lockdown prevents people from entering your dorm if they do not have a key. Last year, random people may have been in the dorms that people have not seen on campus before. The lockdown aims to prevent that from happening again this year.

However, it might be a little inconvenient when a key is lost and people may have to wait for a kind person to open the door.

Katrina Brumfield is an

RA in Cedarcrest.

"It's not that much of a pain. I just encourage people not to lose their keys," Brumfield said.

The key issue is a problem, but when it comes to safety, most people would definitely agree that the lockdown keeps students feeling safer while in the dorms.

Other safety measures are also being made around the school to keep students aware of what is happening on campus. One way to stay in touch is the internet. On the internet students can find out if there is a crisis on campus and the proper steps to take to stay safe. Students will also receive an e-mail or it will be posted on the homepage of the website. Also anyone with a room phone or cell phone will be contacted if there is an emergency.

Stevie Crawford is a freshman at Mansfield University.

"I feel good knowing that the school is taking big steps on trying to keep us feeling safe and secure while on campus," Crawford said.

Students this year can expect to find out that security measures on campus are expanding to prevent future crisis like the one at Virginia Tech.

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♦ Famous Author, Jeff Cohen will be giving a presentation at 7 p.m. on September 26 in North Manser entitled "Corporate Media, Corporate Ethics: An Inside View."

♦ Have events you want the campus to know about? E-mail us at flashlit@mansfield.edu ♦

'BAND'

Though there will be no more half time performances for The Spirit and The Pride, that does not mean that the total number of performances will be limited.

"Many people may have only experienced a marching band at a football game; however, the truth is that marching bands are an academic ensemble. The football field is not the only place to perform. We perform in festivals, competitions, parades, community events, and more. Bands exist for themselves," Brennan said.

True to Dr. Brennan's word, The Spirit and The Pride will be performing in shows across the region this season, including four separate festivals in Pennsylvania and New York, and will be a part of the Pocono Mountain Chapter Championship Performance.

The Spirit and The Pride will continue to do what they do for the betterment of Mansfield University and the students they serve.

"We exist because the activity and endeavors of marching bands are musical, physical and educational. All these can be accomplished without ever playing at a football game," Brennan said.

This season, with or without the football team, the band will be marching on just fine. Literally.

'COMMUTER'

As a commuter student herself, President Loeschke understands what it is like for commuter students and how difficult it can be to travel and be involved.

President Loeschke, Harrington and Colby feel that this new floor will be a great advantage to the commuter students. It gives them an excellent chance to participate in activities that their student activities fee pays for. It will be easier for them to attend SAO bus trips, they will be able stay overnight during inclement weather, and eventually residence life wants to incorporate commuter students into residence hall floor programs and intramural programs.

The Chronicle of Higher Education also seems to think this is a pretty special program. They will be coming to Mansfield later this month to do a story on the "Commuter Connection" and the attempt that Mansfield University is making to reach out to its commuter students.

"We're trying something very new and exciting here, we think we have a good size to experiment with and if it is successful we'll use the space we have to expand the program," Colby said.

President Loeschke, Harrington and Colby want student input on how to improve the "Commuter Connection" and also activities for commuters.

If students do have input they should contact Harrington at jharring@mansfield.edu or at ext. 4981 with their ideas.

Student run radio takes over new crib

By **LAURA HALL**

Flashlight Writer

More than thirty-five years after its creation, WNTÉ-FM 89.5 'The Giant' is finally moving to a prominent location on campus.

Dr. Charles Hoy is WNTÉ's advisor. He advises the operations of the radio station and makes sure that it stays within F.C.C. [Federal Communications Commission] guidelines.

"['The Giant'] is an on-campus radio station where communications students and others can get on-air experience in preparation for a career in radio. It also provides entertainment, information and news to the local community," Hoy said.

'The Giant' was originally located in the basement of South Hall. Upon the announcement of the demolition of South Hall the radio station had to be moved.

"The board, at that time proposed to SGA that they move into the student center. It was approved, but there were some financial issues that didn't allow the station to move to the student center right away, [so] for the last two years we have been in Hemlock out of necessity," said Paul Otherwise, the general manager of 'The Giant.'

"We made a presentation to COF this past spring for the funds and they granted approximately \$46,000 for construction and engineering costs," Hoy said.

"The station's on-air studio and production studio are moving into the Alumni Hall Student Center in the game



PHOTO COURTESY OF WNTÉ.COM

Mansfield University's student -run radio will make the move to AHSC sometime this semester

room area, but the station's offices will still remain in Hemlock for the time being," Hoy said.

"The new location for 'The Giant' was chosen through working with an engineer and trying to identify places on campus that could accommodate a studio with the least amount of trouble and expense," Hoy said. "The new location makes the station very visible and more a part of the community it is trying to serve."

The movement of 'The Giant' from Hemlock to Alumni Hall is a slow one.

"Before the move the space [in Alumni Hall] had to be prepared with some construction, which included framing and putting in glass panels in a kiosk in the Alumni Student Center," Hoy said. "The construction was handled in-house by maintenance [and] is just finishing up."

There is no exact date for 'The Giant' to be moved and on the air.

"As soon as we get the go ahead from [maintenance] we will contact the engineer and arrange a time for the move," Hoy said.

The members of the station, along with Joe Padillo, engineer, and Erick Murtland, student engineer will complete the move.

"It shouldn't take too long once [the move] is started," Otherwise said. "I'm hoping and pretty confident that it will be ready by fall break at the absolute latest."

The new studio will have many improvements from the old location. It will have proper sound proofing and be a more visible part of the community it serves.

"It will allow for the station to sponsor events in the game room and it provides a better environment for the station and the students working there, particularly for those who have late night air shifts," Hoy said.

The Giant's goal for this year is to keep growing.

"We had a strong turn-out at the organizational fair and the new visibility of the station can only help it grow," Otherwise said. "I hope this move will help make WNTÉ a prominent and important member of the campus community. The radio station has a lot of potential and I think this move will help guide us to where we want to be."

SafeConnect: An announcement from IT

Mansfield University has installed a new network protection system called SafeConnect. The new system replaces our old NetReg system. SafeConnect is designed to protect the computers belonging to the Residence Hall students as well as Mansfield University's computer network.

The SafeConnect solution enables the university to ensure that network devices meet minimum security requirements, including user authentication, anti-virus, anti-spyware, and Microsoft security patches. The result is a more secure, reliable, and predictable IT network infrastructure that is easy and cost-effective to deploy and maintain.

SafeConnect is currently used to register computers on Mansfield University's network. It uses a tool to verify that your computer meets minimum security requirements, keeping the network secure. The system does not track your browser usage.

Frequently Asked Questions

1. Will it work with any operating system or computer?

Safe Connect works with any device with a web browser. Only devices with the Microsoft Windows operating system require an agent to be installed and will be inspected for critical patch update configuration.

2. Will something be installed on my computer?

All systems will receive a policy key enabling the computer to access the encrypted network. Initially, only devices running a version of Microsoft Windows will be required to install a key. The policy key is installed to continuously validate that your system has the minimum security software applications running and up-to-date.

3. What happens when my computer tries to connect to the network?

All computers will be prompted to log into the network through a Web browser. Devices with the Windows operating system will be scanned to ensure proper configuration for the critical updates. This helps users know the condition of their computer's configuration in term of having recent operating system patches, up-to-date anti-virus and anti-spyware protection. Computers protected in this way generally perform better and result in less downtime due to damage caused by malicious software.

4. What username and password do I use to log in?

Use your Campus services ID and password. Please reference the MyAccounts@Mansfield URL at <https://info.mansfield.edu/myaccount/>.

5. What if I have problems connecting?

Contact TechConnect at extension 5806.

6. Do I have to use the policy key?

Yes. All Microsoft Windows PCs must use the policy key to ensure a safe computing environment for all.

7. Is the policy key compatible with my system?

Yes, and it is required for Windows Systems. Macintosh, Linux and FreeBSD machines are not required to install the Policy Key.

8. What does the policy key actually do?

It continuously validates that your system has the minimum

security software running and up-to-date as per Mansfield University's Acceptable Use policy.

9. What are the benefits?

The policy key is part of Mansfield University's effort to protect computers from viruses and operating system security holes.

10. Is my privacy protected?

Yes. The policy key scans only for Windows update services compliance and anti-virus status. No user data is collected or stored.



Contract negotiations still underway for state universities

By KARA NEWCOMER

Editor-in-Chief

Mansfield University's faculty, along with the thirteen other state schools, is still in the middle of contract negotiations.

The negotiation team, comprised of one APSCUF member from each state university, and the state's negotiation team reached a tentative agreement over the summer. They reached this agreement at the last moment, just before faculty were preparing to strike the next day.

Dr. Ron Straub, Mansfield's APSCUF President, said that this would have been the first strike in history and the first time striking was considered during the summer months.

mer months.

The tentative contract agreement is still in the process of being put into specific contract language, which is where the university negotiation team has run into a bit of trouble.

One part of the tentative agreement states that faculty will receive a four percent raise in the fourth year of the contract. When it came time to specify this statement, faculty discovered that the state wants that raise to begin in October, not at the start of the academic year.

Straub however, is optimistic that faculty will be able to agree with the state on a contract.

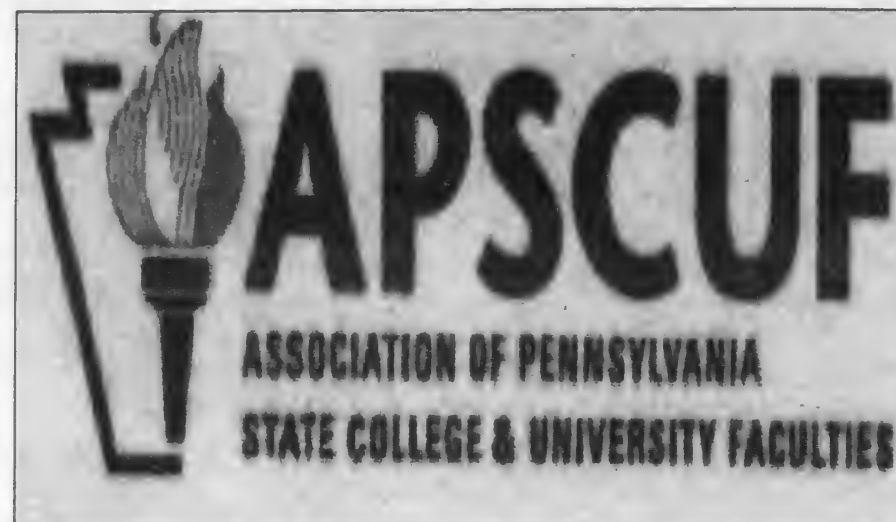
"Faculty understand that times are not the best to be seeking real

financial gain," Straub said.

The things that are the most important to Mansfield faculty, such as correct promotion placement have been resolved.

The one issue that Mansfield faculty could not get into the contract was a definite cap on class size, however the administration at Mansfield tries to honor the faculty's wishes according to Straub.

At the end of September Straub, Dr. Francis Craig and Dr. Margaret Launius will travel to Monroeville in what will hopefully be the last step of finalizing the contract.



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Mansfield faculty pay one percent of their salary to be a member of APSCUF.

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Looking to get more involved on campus?

COF wants YOU!

The Committee on Finance is now accepting applications for new members.

Applications may be picked up outside of room 325 Alumni and are due back by September 11 at 4 P.M.

All applicants will receive an email confirming an appointment for an interview. Interviews will be held on Thursday, September 13

Have you ever wanted to be in **control**, as well as have a major input on this campus?

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Campus Events Calendar

Sept 6	7	8 Music: 4:00 pm Nicholas Walker Guest Bass Recital	9 Music: 7:00 pm Dr. Christine Moulton Flute Recital	10	11 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm MLP information session Room 307 AHSC	12 1:00 pm - 2:00 pm MLP information session Room 307 AHSC
13 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Beyond the Wall Poster Sale AHSC outside of the bookstore	14 9:00 am - 5:00 pm Beyond the Wall Poster Sale AHSC outside of the bookstore	15 10:00 am - 5:00 pm 2007 PA heritage festival at Alparon Park in Troy, PA	16 10:00 am - 4:00 pm 2007 PA heritage festival at Alparon Park in Troy, PA	17	18	19 9:00 pm tango class

First Citizen's Bank donates large sum of money to Mansfield University

First Citizens National Bank will donate \$25,000 to Mansfield University's community service program. The primary focus of the program funded by First Citizens will be on "service-learning."

"Service-Learning enhances the community through service," MU Provost Michael Renner said in describing the program. "It also has powerful learning consequences for the students or others participating in providing a service. Service learning is growing rapidly because it has a major impact on young people and their development."

The donation made by First Citizens will provide financial support for a "teaching and learning" approach to community service that integrates student volunteerism with academic study to enrich learning, teach civic responsibility and strengthen communities.

"We take our role in community development and as partners in education very seriously", stated Randall E. Black, CEO and president of First Citizens National Bank. "We're pleased

that this donation will contribute to the development of our young citizens and future leaders as well as our communities. This endowment is yet another example of our commitment to community and to our growing partnership with Mansfield University."

"We genuinely appreciate First Citizens National Bank's support and leadership in funding this community service initiative," MU President Maravene Loeschke said. "It shows that developing tomorrow's leaders is more than a slogan and involves more than just the university. It truly is a community effort and we are pleased to partner with such a strong community-focused institution like First Citizens National Bank."

First Citizens National Bank, headquartered in Mansfield, has offices in Blossburg, Ulysses, Genesee, Sayre, Wellsboro, Troy, Canton, Gillett, StateLine, LeRaysville, Towanda, and Wellsville, NY as well as two in-store offices located in the Mansfield Wal-Mart and the Wellsboro Weis Market.

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Fredrick Douglass Institute presents a one man band on September 18

The Frederick Douglass Institute (FDI) at Mansfield University will present Daniel Beaty and his one-man play *Emergence-See!* on Tuesday, September 18, at 7 p.m. in Straughn Hall. The performance is free and open to the public.

In the play a slave ship rises out of the Hudson River in front of the Statue of Liberty, sending the nation into a whirlwind of emotion and exploration in this explosive solo tour de force featuring slam poetry, multi-character transformation, and song.

The provocative performance explores many questions such as Beaty portrays a cast of 40 characters including a homeless man, a scientist, a republican business executive, a street vendor and an 11-year old boy from the projects who all respond to the phenomenon.

A slam poet named Rodney is scheduled to perform in a poetry slam that evening, but is delayed by having to retrieve his schizophrenic father from the site of the ship's rising. While Rodney and his brother go to see about their dad, the audience is treated to the poetry slam already in progress.

Through the characters individual responses to the ship and their varied testimonies on identity and personal freedom, *Emergence-See!* weaves a stirring commentary on modern black life.

The New York Times calls *Emergence-See!* "A dazzling 90 minutes, full of memorable moments, intense, hilarious."

An actor, singer, writer, and composer, Beaty has worked throughout the U.S., Europe, and Africa in a variety of styles ranging from television to solo concerts to theatrical productions to opera including performance at The White House, The Kennedy Center in tribute to Ruby Dee and Ossie Davis, and The Apollo.

His long list of awards includes the 2007 Obie Award for Outstanding Writing and Performance, and 2006 Ovation, Acclaim, & Everyday Freedom Hero Awards. Daniel is also the 2004 Grand Slam Champion at the Nuyorican Poet's Café and The Fox Networks National Redemption Slam Champion.

The FDI at MU is an interdisciplinary collaborative between Academic Affairs and Student Affairs dedicated to following the intellectual heritage and principles of Frederick Douglass and other distinguished individuals from all backgrounds.

The Institute promotes programs that will enhance the learning experience and help students develop an understanding and appreciation of human dignity and diversity.

This Week in Politics - National and World News

By CHRISTIAN JOHNSON

Flashlight Writer

Al Sadr Suspends military

Baghdad, Iraq- Anti-American cleric Muqtada al-Sadr has ordered the immediate suspension of his Mehdi Army for up to six weeks for restructuring. This decision comes after months of conflict and division within the militia. "The order also includes suspending the taking up of arms against occupiers as well as others," says Ahmed al-Shaibai, spokesperson for Al Sadr said. In April 2007 the Department of Defense described the Mehdi Army as the greatest threat to Iraqi security. The Mehdi Army first rose to power in April 2004 after it staged a series of deadly attacks against the U.S. occupation forces in Iraq.

Craig pressured from fellow Republicans

Boise, Idaho- Larry Craig, senator from Idaho, agreed to step down as the leading Republican on several senate committees. This came after Craig plead guilty to a disorderly conduct charge relating to allegations he solicited gay sex in a Minneapolis airport bathroom. Pressure also came from within his own party from colleagues who called for his resignation. "I believe that he pleaded guilty and he had the opportunity to plead innocent. So I think he should resign," Arizona Senator and presidential candidate John McCain said. "Senator Craig pled guilty to a crime involving conduct unbecoming a senator... He should resign," Minnesota Senator Norm Coleman said. Craig, who is married with three adopted children, has battled allegations he is gay from as early as 1982 when he was accused of having sexual relations with male congressional teenage pages. On Sept. 1 Craig officially announced his resignation from the Senate despite not admitting to any wrongdoing. "I apologize for what I have caused. I am deeply sorry. I have little control over what people choose to believe but clearly my name is important to me and my family is so very important also," Craig said.

Iraqi Official warns of a "Bloodbath"

Hoshiyar Zebari, the Iraqi Foreign minister, recently warned Great Britain and the U.S that they must not "run away" from its obligations within Iraq. The Iraqi official specifically targeted Britain for its lack of engagement in the southern city of Basra, an area where British troops plan to withdrawal. Zebari claims that if the U.S and Britain were to prematurely withdrawal troops, the entire region would suffer. As a result, a bloodbath would occur as the country would split into several parts and a new safe haven for terrorists would be created. "I am worried, absolutely worried," says Zebari. "The stakes are very, very high for us Iraqis, for the U.S and Britain, and for stability and security in the region," he said. Zebari also warned that intervention by Iran would suck neighboring Sunni Arab countries and Turkey into a large-scale regional conflict.

Iraqi Forces get mixed grades

Washington, DC- A report commissioned by Congress and supervised by retired Marine Gen. James L. Jones gives positive marks to the Iraqi Army. The report claims the army has been well-equipped and trained and operating effectively on missions. Yet, the Iraqi National Police has struggled to improve due to various problems including sectarian corruption. The United States has recognized the problems and promised to radically increase American training. Despite these problems, the Pentagon rejects any recommendation to disband the Iraqi National Police and believe that starting over would only weaken the force. "The fact that there is a problem of rampant sectarianism in the National Police shouldn't come as a surprise to anyone," Geoff Morrell, the Pentagon press secretary said. Jones' report is to be one of two independent reports commissioned by Congress in advance of the assessment made by Gen. David Petraeus, the top American Commander in Iraq. "The assessment that matters the most is the commanders on the ground who have

been living and breathing this for months, rather than the people who parachute in for outside assessments," Morrell says. Gen. Petraeus and Ryan C. Crocker, the U.S ambassador to Iraq are scheduled to present their assessment of Iraqi forces and government to the House on Sept. 10 and to the Senate on Sept. 12.

Snow resigns

Washington, D.C- White House Press Secretary Tony Snow will resign on Sept. 14 and be replaced by his deputy, Dana Perino. Snow, who is fighting a battle with cancer, said recently he planned to leave before the end of Bush's presidency because he needed to make more money. Before becoming press secretary, Snow was a popular conservative pundit and syndicated talk-show host on Fox News Radio. Recently Snow has been undergoing chemotherapy after his doctor discovered a recurrence of colon cancer. "In many cases, a bout with sickness stretches your soul, opens your eyes and introduces you to a world of unimagined grandeur, possibility and joy," Snow said in 2005 while discussing his illness.



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Iraqi foreign minister Hoshiyar Zebari says that to prevent internal war in Iraq, the U.S. and Britain must stay in Iraq.

Apple's iPhone creates cell-technology competition

By BRITTANY SERAFINI

Flashlight Writer

Consumers who purchased Apple's iPhone during the summer may already be behind the times. Nokia announced its newest gadgets to rival Apple's creation on August 29. The new cellphones and services come not even three months after Apple's iPhone letdown. The services offered by the new Nokia phones allow customers to download music and play games. According to the Associated Press, one of the new phones can hold up to 6,000 songs. Other new accessories include headphones, docking stations and speakers.

Nokia will be operating all of its new services out of a website called "Ovi," which includes an online music store "with millions of tracks from major labels." These services will allow Nokia customers to take music from PCs and put it on their compatible Nokia devices as well as downloading N-Gage games on "tens of millions" of Nokia devices.

Mark McKechnie, American Technology Research analyst, believes that this will benefit the Finnish company.

"[Nokia's] expanded efforts into services...will enable [the company] to offer 'experiences' rather than just 'devices,' which we believe will become more important as mobile services move from voice-centric to Internet-centric," McKechnie said.

Nokia's newest phones range from \$350 to \$700. Some of these models include five megapixel cameras, Carl Zeiss optics and memory of up to 8 gigabytes.

Nokia's unveiling of their new phone models emphasized the sleek design. One model



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The Nokia E-70 is one of the phones challenging Apple's iPhone.

was less than 10 millimeters thick.

Nokia had completed deals with major music labels - Vivendi SA's Universal Music Group, Warner Music Group Inc., EMI Group PLC, and Sony BMG Music Entertainment, a joint venture of Sony Corp. and Bertelsmann AG. The online music store will open in late autumn.

There are other phone companies targeting Apple. Sprint's Upstage, which is larger than the iPhone, has a design where one side is the phone and the other holds the music, video and GPS controls. It is less expensive than either the iPhone or the Nokia models at \$99 with a two year contract. Verizon Wireless also released an iPhone-related model - the VX9400. This model has a larger screen than the Upstage and is more expensive, \$249 with a two year contract.

"Survivor" series still going... strong?

By MATT POIRIER

Flashlight Writer

The turn of the millennium brought many things: new music, summer blockbusters devoted to sequels, superheroes and animation, a new war, and even reality television. "Survivor," the forerunner of such television shows, premiered in 2000, putting a random selection of people in Borneo for forty days. The one who lasted the longest (decided by voting, rather than actually "lasting") would win \$1 million dollars.

After "Survivor," shows like "Big Brother," "the Amazing Race," and even MTV shows like "The Real World" reared their ugly heads. The fad was a success at first, although today, reality television is considered more novelty than actual television. My mom, for example, loves "Hells Kitchen," but mostly to hear Chef Ramsey say "You donkey!" a perfect example of "novelty." The show that started this boom, Survivor, is about to make Television history on September 20th, 8pm on CBS.

The show has seen many locations, starting in Australia, then the deserts of Africa. Then Pearl Island, one of the most popular series, introduced the lovable Rupert and despicable Jonny "fair play." Constantly pushing the boundaries and trying new things, Survivor now tests their boundaries in a country where no American television show has yet been fully filmed in - China.

No information on the show has been released yet, and knowing Survivor, they have many cultural things up their sleeve. One thing is for sure, these castaways will be tested in every single way. The cast list has been released, and includes a model named Amanda, a WWE wrestler named Ashley, and a farmer named Chicken.

The new season will certainly be full of surprises. However, has the glamour of reality television worn off enough that people are no longer amused by a man named Chicken? Can Survivor continue to wow people? Or has it finally run out of original ideas? September 20 will hold the answers. Even in this history changing event, Survivor is going to have to pull all of the punches, and yet save some for the next season. Information on the cast members can be found at <http://www.cbs.com/primetime/survivor15/>, which includes names, and video interviews. Look for a follow up on the series in "The Flashlight" after the series airs.



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Survivor moves to China September 20.

Don't let the clothes wear you - fall fashion

By KIMBERLEE BLOCKER

Flashlight Writer

Time to throw out those Bermuda shorts, baby doll tops and flip flops because fall fashion is on its way to a store near you. Bold bright colors, metallic's with a twist of 40's mod and a twinge of the present style are the new themes for the fall season.

"Those tops that make the girls look like they're pregnant are definitely out," Victoria McBeth, a sales representative from Macys said. "Now girls are getting into browns, bold colors and these T-shirt short dresses." Ladies, it's all about the short dress with a cute pair of tights this fall. Mini button jackets, skinny jeans, high waist skirts, flowy blouses, wide legged trousers, leather and colossal coats. Making sure to accessorize with long gloves, peep toe pumps, low flats, big bold bangles and of course the big tote is still full in affect. This time the oversized or wide clutch is a new addition to the fashion world.

As for the men, according to GQ magazine suits with a short jacket and tailored pants are the new jeans and shirt. But for those who can not let the jeans and shirt go, you are safe because a pair of distressed dark denim, a bold intense colored top, a graphic retro T, or even a sweater is a sure way to be in this fall.

For both, make sure to dress up your style with an accent of silver or gold metallic. Don't be afraid to be daring and mix with the color combinations of black, brown, gray and purple to give your style the vintage but recent feel. Now to those who want to be stylish but don't want to spend a fortune you're in luck! Stores such as Target, Marshalls and Kohl's are making this look available to everyone. Kohl's and Vera Wang have even joined



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Look out for the latest street and designer fashion trends this fall in Lucky magazine, a great place to find the top trends.

forces for Wang to launch her clothing line, Simply Vera, in the store.

For the urban wearers who really aren't into the high fashion look, House of Dereon and Baby Phat are really popular this up and coming season.

"The clothing line by Beyoncé has been hard to keep on the floor and of course Baby Phat is always a top seller," McBeth said.

As for the guys? RocaWear, G-Unit and Sean John are definitely the hottest lines in fall fashion. Whether it is high fashion or street fashion don't be afraid to put your own twist on things. Wear the clothes and don't let the clothes wear you.

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POGS

Some people actually still have their pog collection. Thinking about it now, probably the only cool thing about them was that they were banned from school for being a form of gambling. Move on, people - play poker.



THE MACARENA

Aside from the annoying beat and stupid dance, it was #1 on the charts for 14 weeks, ranking with "Men in Black" and "I'll Be There for You," its sibling annoying 90's songs.



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By MIK
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Thanks, Mom and Dad.

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and Huck." Yep.



POWER RANGERS

Some of the worst choreographing and acting
ever. What happened to this show, you ask?
So do we.

CRYSTAL PEPSI

It tasted exactly the same. Then it was
one of the first to do that "look under
the cap and win a prize" thing. All you
had to do was turn the bottle upside
down to see if it won. No wonder it
bombed.



Childhood Memories Just aren't cool anymore.

MIKE LENGEL
Features Editor

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"WAAAAASSSUUUUP"

Annoying. Just plain annoying.



"SAVED BY THE BELL"

We all loved it. But watch it now: there was never
an after school hangout like "The Max," and there
was never a group of friends that diverse: the jock,
the nerd, the charmer, the class president, and the
cheerleader. And we were never, ever friends with
our principal. Ever.

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Opinion & Editorial

"from the editor's desk"



Don't just "Talk the talk," "Walk the walk"

Even fraternities and sororities, everyone has the perception that they're a bunch of partiers and they do nothing else. Well I know from having a roommate involved in a sorority, that it's not all fun and games and there's more work involved than anyone would think. Any organization is that way. Which is why I want to recognize you, because starting my second year as Editor, I'm realizing no one does. Not students anyway.

It's only two weeks into the semester and already I'm fed up with the students at this university. As I was racing from a PRSSA meeting, to a Flashlight meeting, to an interview, to go speak to a class I heard two comments made about this newspaper. Of course it's not the best, we're college students for crying out loud. We're learning, we're taking chances and trying something that may not succeed, but we're going to try out damndest to make it succeed. Not saying that I'm the all-knowing but at least I've taken a chance and done something, gotten involved, stuck my neck out there.

I ask and ask for student input, I ask you to take two minutes out of your day and send us an e-mail about what you think. But apparently people are more comfortable sitting outside of Maple with their friends complaining. "Whoever does *the Flashlight* should be shot, because I'm

getting really sick of..."

I regret that I gave you a funny look and you stopped talking because I would like to know what you're sick of so I can try to change it. I also regret that I didn't go back or stop and talk to you to find out what you're apparently so sick of, but you can't find the time to let us know. You prefer to complain and do nothing about it. I want to challenge you, and every student on this campus. TALK TO US!

Let us know what we can do to make this paper better for you. Of course I love that the faculty and staff read the paper. I love that the administration and our President are proud of *The Flashlight*, but I would also love it if for once I heard, "Hey I want to know who does the Flashlight so I can join," or "Did you read that article? It was really interesting." And the only way I can hear something like that is if I get feedback from the students. I'm only one person, I can't know everything.

Don't talk only to me either, talk to other organizations, something you have a slight interest in, go get involved in that organization. Everyone on this campus has good ideas, they just need to be shared and heard.

Hopefully this rant will receive some feedback; good, bad or ugly... I don't care, as long as it's something.

As the Editor of *The Flashlight* I try to give the students what they want. Obviously, I can't please everyone on this campus- it's absolutely impossible. And I understand that most of the students don't even read the paper- some are just not interested. I accept that; I accept that more administration, faculty, and staff read this paper than students. But if you're a student you should. You should read it because we do a pretty damn good job of bringing this campus the news that's important for students to know. I don't want to sound conceited and usually I try to stay away from complaining (I don't know if I'm actually successful) but this time I'm not. I'm going to complain my little heart out and toot the Flashlights horn all I want, and any other organization on campus.

Anyone who is involved, I commend you. No one truly knows how much work you do.

Sexual violence is primarily a crime of power and control.

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Tricked Again

It would be easy to persuade a starving child to eat a loaf of bread, even if it was a few weeks old. It would be easy to persuade a failing college student to take an easy A class, even if it was a class devoted to feminism. Likewise, it would be easy to persuade a worker from Ground Zero who, because of his occupation, has respiratory problems, even if you were taking him to Cuba. This is what Michael Moore did for his film, *Sicko*, which attacks the American healthcare system. Moore's argument is stable – the citizens of the U.S. pay too much for healthcare (and are even denied any in some situations), while countries like Cuba and France get it for free.

But however stable the argument, the point is: we already knew. Pre-*Sicko*, I constantly heard mine and other parents complain about healthcare problems. When I needed knee surgery my senior year of high school, I was lucky enough to receive it within a week – because my aunt is a surgeon. Research had already been done to show Americans that we pay too much, so why throw wood on the fire? Now, thanks to Moore, pseudo-liberal, whiny, teenage high school students have finally found something else in American society to complain about aside from why the war is BAD and why Bush is BAD. And Cuba and France as examples? Cuba is disgustingly communist and France is socialist, meaning if America went that direction, we'd be giving up 3/4 of our paychecks to the government in order to pay for the "free healthcare," which makes it not free at all.

Funny though, a few people that Moore asked to participate in the experiment turned him down. Jeff Endean, a SWAT commander who spent a month at Ground Zero and suffers from respiratory problems spoke with The New York Post about why he turned down the offer. "He's using people that are in a bad situation and that's wrong, that's morally wrong,"

Endean told The Post. Sure, they need the care, but why bribe them? Especially if you're going to just back out on them at the last second. This happened to Michael McCormack, another Ground Zero responder. He was told Moore would take him to Cuba for the care, but then found out not by Moore or by anyone involved in the film, but at a fundraiser for a 9/11 responder where the film was brought up. The New York Post tried to dig deeper into this, but no one from the production company returned any calls. Go figure. McCormack did, however, have a taped conversation of a phone call with someone from the production company. "Even for the people that we did bring down to Cuba, we said we can promise that you will be evaluated, that you will get looked at," said the representative. "We can't promise that you will get fixed." So Moore took sick Ground Zero workers to Cuba simply to show them they can receive free care; but this care was no care at all, it was simply an assessment, much like the film's point, of something they already knew. So is it worth giving up 75% of your paycheck to be told you have a problem? It's the assessment that's free, not the cure.

The film starts by blaming the insurance companies of profit motives, and this is the reason why thousands of Americans are denied healthcare per year. Profit motives? Like when Moore decided to make a movie about this, a movie that we have to pay to see? Tricked again, America. Pay money to see a movie that says we pay too much, when we already knew we pay too much. In order to raise awareness (which is obviously the point of making a documentary film) there are other ways to make your voice heard that won't cost Americans a dime: TV specials, internet blogs, things that we would pay for anyway, because unfortunately, things just aren't free anymore.

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How well do you know "The Nightmare Before Christmas"?

Answer the questions below to find out



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- What Tim Burton movie does Jack Skellington first make an appearance?
 - Vincent
 - Beetle Juice
 - Edward Scissor Hands
- Which movie was the cat that jumps onto the garbage can first featured?
 - Beetle Juice
 - Batman Returns
 - Vincent
- What event triggered Tim Burton's imagination to write *The Nightmare Before Christmas*?
 - Halloween merchandise being replaced by Christmas merchandise.
 - Halloween and Christmas merchandise on display together.
 - A Halloween item mixed in with Christmas merchandise.
- Which movie was the snake also seen in?
 - Charlie and the Chocolate Factory as a toy Charlie owned.
 - Beetle Juice as the Saturn Sandworm
 - Edward Scissor Hands in a newspaper clipping on the wall.
- Which Tim Burton movie theme can be heard while the search lights are looking for Jack?
 - The Nightmare Before Christmas theme
 - The Beetle Juice theme
 - The Batman theme
- Which two toys deliver reference to Batman Returns?
 - The dead rat hat and the shrunken head
 - The evil wreath and the evil duck
 - The evil duck and the evil cat doll
- Which movie did *The Nightmare Before Christmas* lose to in the Oscar Nominations of 1993?
 - Jurassic Park
 - Batman Returns
 - Hook
- Which three characters were originally placed in Tim Burton's poem?
 - Jack, Sally and Zero
 - Jack, Santa and Zero
 - Jack, Santa and Oogie Boogie
- Who was Oogie Boogie inspired by?
 - Danny Elfman
 - Cab Calloway
 - Chris Sarandon
- Who did the singing voice for Jack?
 - Danny Elfman
 - Tim Burton
 - Chris Sarandon

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On the Sidelines with Brianna DeLuca: record setting goalie

By DANELLE MILLER

Flashlight Co News Editor

Brianna DeLuca is the goalie for the Lady Mountaineers Field Hockey team. The team is currently 3-0 this season. Last year, DeLuca broke the school record with 5 shutouts during the season. She talked with me about field hockey and how it felt to break a school record.

DM: What is year are you and what is your major?

Brianna DeLuca: I am a junior and a social work major.

DM: Where is your hometown?

BD: I am from West Grove, PA.

DM: What made you decide to attend Mansfield University?

BD: I knew people who had gone here and I wanted to play field hockey.

DM: When did you begin playing field hockey?

BD: In 7th grade.

DM: What interested you in field hockey?

BD: My best friend who was a year older than me played and I wanted to try it out.

DM: What motivates you during the season?

BD: Hearing what the other teams have to say about us makes it so much better when they expect us to be the underdogs and we come out and win.

DM: How do you prepare for a game?

BD: I listen to music beforehand. Also, as goalies we have our own little warm up that the goalies do. It has to be the same for every game.

DM: What do you do to prepare during the summer?

BD: I play in a women's summer league and run a field hockey camp, so I play with the little girls at camp, too.

DM: How do you think the team will do this season?

BD: I hope we all have our mind set on making playoffs again.

DM: How important was it that the team got off to a fast start?

BD: I think it's very important to show people what we can do from the start. We tend to get off to a rough start and build our way up during the season. It's nice to know we have the first two games under our belt.

DM: How does it feel to break the school record?

BD: It's nice. I wasn't expecting to at all last season, but it felt good once it happened.

DM: What are some awards you have earned for field hockey?

BD: In high school I got the Outstanding Senior award, 2nd Team Southern Chester County, and honorable mention all area. Here at Mansfield I got MIP last season.

DM: What is your individual goal(s) for this season? Team goal(s)?

BD: My individual goal is to let in less goals than I did last year. The team goal is to make it to playoffs again this season.

DM: What have you learned from field hockey that you will take with you into the future?

BD: You really need everyone on the team to get the win.

DM: Do you have a coach that has helped you to become a better field hockey player?

BD: My high school coach was amazing in how she challenged me on and off the field.

DM: Do you have any amateur or professional field hockey players that you look up to?

BD: Actually, Heather Long, the goalie here before me, played a big role in me choosing Mansfield. She worked with me for years and helped me a lot.

DM: What is your favorite sport besides field hockey?

BD: I like to watch baseball.

DM: Are you a part of any other athletic teams at Mansfield?

BD: No, one is enough for me!



SPORTS INFORMATION

Junior goalie Brianna DeLuca set the school records with shutouts in a season with five last last season. She is off to a good start this season with three wins in the Mountaineers first three games.

Field Hockey sponsors "Dog Day" against IUP on Saturday

Mansfield – Forget about the Notre Dame – Penn State football game this Saturday.

The biggest collegiate athletic event in these parts on Saturday, Sept. 8 will be right here in Mansfield at Spaulding Field when the #7 ranked Mountaineer field hockey program hosts #4 ranked IUP in an key PSAC matchup.

The field hockey team and sports information office will be giving out free hot dogs and drinks as long as they last.

"We're looking to pack the place," said Mansfield University sports information director Steve McCloskey. "A record crowd would really give the team a boost. Mansfield has a well deserved reputation for having the best fan support in

the PSAC and there is a good reason for that. We have great fans."

Hot dogs and drinks will be provided on the south sideline near the bleachers starting at 11:30. The game is set for a noon start.

Mansfield earned a PSAC playoff berth last season and finished the season ranked #9 in the nation in Division II. The Mountaineers were ranked #8 in the national preseason poll before moving up to #7 after winning their first three games of the year.

The Mountaineers are off to one of the best starts in school history by winning their first three games so far this season.

The season started with a 3-1 win over Bellarmine College (KY), and the Mountaineers followed with a 2-1 overtime win at Mercyhurst.

The Mountaineers won their third in a row when they defeated Bryant College by a score of 5-3 on Sunday.

The team is led by seniors Keely Jarrett, RYanne Higgins and Shana Markwis. Jarrett leads the team in goals with three, followed by Higgins, sophomore Breanne Tobin, and sophomore Carlyn Spangler, who have two goals apiece.

Junior goalie Brianna DeLuca is 3-0 in net and has 26 saves on the season and a goals against average of 1.56.

Mountaineer soccer makes history with first win of the year

BY CHRIS KINNER

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University women's soccer team is off to a solid start after a tie in the opener against Edinboro and the programs first ever win against Kutztown.

The Mountaineers started the scoring against Kutztown when Junior Lyndi Keiser scored off a pass from Robyn



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Colleen Corcoran has one assist for the Mountaineers this season and is the second leading goal scorer in school history.

Travisano to give the Mountaineers a 1-0 lead. Kutztown tied the score 18 minutes later on a goal by Kim Keltz. Keiser would come up big again for the Mountaineers when she kicked in a loose ball past the Golden Bears goalie for a 2-1 lead and the game winning goal.

The Mountaineers were actually out shot by the Golden Bears 11-7, but junior goalie only gave up the one goal and made six saves.

In the season and home opener against Edinboro, the Mountaineers got behind 1-0 on a goal scored by Mary Grebenc. Mansfield came right back 30 seconds later with a goal from Lyndi Keiser off a pass from Colleen Corcoran.

The game would stay tied at one for the remainder of the game and both overtime sessions. Mansfield goalie Justine Segear made nine saves in goal for the Mountaineers.

The Mansfield University women's soccer team hosted the Shippensburg Red Raiders in their second game of the season on Wednesday August 29th. The first half was a seesaw battle for possession with both goal keepers Justine Segear from Mansfield and Beth Long from Shippensburg coming up with key saves for their perspective teams. With a 0-0 half time score, the Mountaineers came out firing and controlling the ball for most of the second half. The Mountaineers put constant pressure on the Red Raiders, but were unable to get anything past Long.

"Our team put up a very good effort. We controlled the ball for 65 percent of the game but just had a few missed opportunities," Mansfield head coach Tim Dempsey said. "I feel very good about the effort put forth and this is a great bunch of girls who work very hard for each other."

Shippensburg ended up with the lone goal when Gayle Kuntzmann directed a pop shot over Segear's head to give Shippensburg the 1-0 win.

"We outplayed them the entire game," senior Colleen Corcoran said. I think we played like we wanted it more, we

just didn't finish."

The Mountaineers travel to Millersville on Saturday before returning home on Wednesday September 12th to play Clarion at 4 p.m. at the soccer field.



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Junior Lyndi Keiser has scored all three of Mansfield's goals this season, including two in the teams win at Kutztown on Monday.

Josh Palmer Classic continues in high school football game

Even though Mansfield University will not field a football team this year, one Mansfield football tradition lived on thanks to the hard work of one man, and some former Mansfield football players. The seventh annual Josh Palmer Pigskin Classic was played last Friday at the North Penn vs. Cowanesque Valley High School Football game.

The game is used to raise money for cancer research for area youths. The game is named for Josh Palmer, a former Mansfield football player who was diagnosed with Hodgkin's disease. Palmer beat cancer and came back to play football again for the Mountaineers.

Mansfield University Sports Information Director Steve McCloskey, who has been an important part of the classic since its beginning seven years ago, helped to save the game.

McCloskey contacted the coaches at North Penn and Cowanesque Valley, who both are former Mansfield football players. Both coaches were excited and honored about their teams opportunity to play in the game.

"Everytime I went past Van Norman field I was overcome by sadness," North Penn head coach Tom Dickinson said at a recent event promoting the Classic. "To me the Palmer Pigskin Classic has always been about not give up and to find a way to overcome any adversary. That's a lesson we want to teach our kids."

This is a terrific opportunity for our kids," Cowanesque Valley head coach Jim Burns said. "Playing in this game is a big deal for our school and kids."

Money is raised from selling Palmer Pigskin T-shirts, but the majority of the money is received through a raffle. Some of the prizes that were given out were autographed items by Matt Leinart, and Philadelphia Eagles second round pick Kevin Kolb, just to name a few. Ticket packages to Penn St, Army, and Buffalo Bills football games were given out along with tickets to see the Philadelphia Phillies.

The Josh Palmer fund has raised over \$600,000 in its nine year existence, and over \$2,000 was raised for this particular Classic.

North Penn ended up winning the game by a score of 40-0, but the score really didn't matter at the end. The only thing that mattered was that the game was played and that the game lived on.



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Coach Tom Dickinson of North Penn and Cowanesque Valley coach Jim Burns meet with Josh Palmer (Middle) at a fundraiser for the Josh Palmer Pigskin classic.

Men's and Women's Cross Country teams win opener

Cummings and Edwards lead Mountaineers with wins

By ERIC BOHANNON

Flashlight Sports Editor



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Junior Clarissa Correll came in fifth place in the season opening race

The men's and women's cross country teams got off to a fast start this year as both teams won the Early Bird Invitational in Oneonta, New York.

"I'm really excited about this group," head coach Mike Rohl said. "Everybody trained hard over the summer and that training really showed in this meet."

Fifth year Senior Chris Cummings won the men's race 6k with a time of 19:31. Freshman Brenae Edwards, racing in her first collegiate meet, won the women's 4k with a time of 17:51.

"Chris did a great job, he's at the level where he will be able to take what anyone can throw at him," Rohl said. "Brenae raced very strong, she ran the second half of the race faster than the first half, that's pretty good."

"The upper classmen did a great job of helping the freshmen along," Rohl said. "I was pleased with the teamwork they showed by running the first half of the race together and then being able to take off."

The men won the meet with a total of 16 points. Seniors Josh Wooten and Dave Sanford finished in third and fourth right behind Cummings.

"Josh has great experience running and his attitude is great and it carries over to the younger runners," Rohl said. "Dave did a great job and is even better than he was last year."

The upper classmen were followed closely by the newcomers, led by freshman Joe Stanek who finished in fifth with a time of 20:04. Sophomore John-Mark Stoltz came in seventh and freshman Bret Kilfner finished right behind him in eighth.

"I was pleased with the way the freshmen ran," Rohl said. "All five of the freshmen that we have could have won that race if the upper classmen weren't there, they raced well and it gives our time a lot of depth."

The women's team also won the overall meet with 24 team points. Junior Clarissa Correll came in fifth place with a time of 18:34.

"Clarissa was injured last fall and didn't compete with us," Rohl said. "She had a great summer and is continuing to improve."

Freshman Irene Primmer finished right behind Correll in sixth place. Senior Sarah Pinkowski finished in 8th place with a time of 18:58. Two years ago at the same meet, Pinkowski finished with a time of 21:30.

"Sarah is just a great example of what you can do with hard work and discipline," Rohl said.

Freshman Ryan Kelly rounded out the top ten with a time of 19:06.

"All of the freshmen looked very good," Rohl said. "I didn't realize they would be as good as they are."

This was the first meet for the guy's team since the early part of July and the first for the women's team since the end of July.

"We were a little rusty since we had that long of a



PHOTO BY SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Chris Cummings got his final season off to a good start winning the first race of the season and helping the Men's team win the meet.

layoff," Rohl said. They have to take care of themselves this next week. We have a 14 week season and they can do some special things."

"I was pleased with their performance, and in two weeks will be competing with one of the top teams in the PSAC."

Rohl was referring to Edinboro, and both teams will be competing in the Mid-West Collegiate Invitational at Wisconsin Parkside. Parkside is actually the college that Rohl attended and is excited about the opportunity to take Mansfield their to compete.

"It will be nice to go back there," Rohl said. The coach from when I was there is still there and the course is legendary for having national championship races."

After the Mountaineers compete in Wisconsin, they will take a week off before heading to the Tidewater Invitational in Salisbury Maryland.

Keiser named Women's soccer PSAC East Player of the Week

Mansfield University junior forward Lyndi Keiser (Mechanicsburg/Mechanicsburg) has been named the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference (PSAC) Eastern Division Women's Soccer Player of the Week for her outstanding performance during the first week of the 2007 season.

Keiser has scored all three of Mansfield's goals on the year including both goals in the Mountaineers 2-1 win at Kutztown on Monday.

Keiser, the Mountaineers all-time leading scorer, became the first player in school history to score 20 career goals with her second goal in the Kutztown game. It was the first time Mansfield beat Kutztown in the Mountaineers six year women's



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soccer history.

She also scored a goal in a 1-1 season opening tie with Edinboro.

Mansfield is 1-1-1 on the season and travels to Millersville this Saturday.

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Mountaineer Field Hockey off to best start since 1999

By PAT LAHR
Flashlight Sports Writer

This past Saturday the Mountie Movers were introducing Mansfield University freshman to the wonders of dorm life on campus. At the same time the Mansfield Field Hockey team was playing the second game of their season opening road trip. It was a road trip that saw the Mountaineers return with a 2-0 record for the first time since 1999.

The first opponent of the 2007 season for the Mountaineers was Bellarmine (KY) University. The Mountaineers were able to take control early on a goal from RYANNE HIGGINS 15 minutes into the game to give Mansfield the 1-0 lead.

Keely Jarrett added another goal for the Mountaineers at the start of the second half. Bellarmine closed the gap to 2-1 midway thru the second half before Kelly Klimkowski shut the door on them with her first collegiate goal, making the final 3-1. Brianna DeLuca recorded 12 saves and controlled the crease with an outstanding performance in goal.

The second game of the Mountaineers road trip, and the second game in two days, was against Mercyhurst. Breanne Tobin had both goals for the Mountaineers in their 2-1 overtime win over Mercyhurst. Tobin's first goal came off an assist from Higgins with six minutes left in the first half. Only three minutes later Brittany Jefford knotted the score at 1-1.

Both teams went scoreless for the next 48 minutes the entire second half and 10 minutes in the first overtime period until Mansfield was awarded a corner shot with :02 left on the clock. With no time remaining on the clock Tobin, with an assist from Brittany Kostishon, put in the game winning goal.

The Mountaineers had their home opener on Sunday versus Bryant.. Mansfield started the game off quickly with a penalty stroke goal from Jarrett four minutes into the game. The Bulldogs were able to tie the score at 20:03 when Kelly Frantz scored her first collegiate goal from 10 yards outside the box.

The game was only tied for an instant. The Mountaineers immediately brought the ball down the field and Carlyn Spangler scored the first of her two goals in the game, with the assist going to Tobin. Spangler's goal put the Mountaineers ahead for good. Jarrett added her second goal of the game off an assist from Higgins, closing the first half scoring and giving Mansfield a 3-1 lead at halftime. The Mountaineers controlled most of the half, out shooting Bryant 16-4.

The Bulldogs would not go down quietly. Just thirty seconds into the half the Bulldogs Caroline Carr scored the first of her two goals. Carr's goal shrunk Mansfield's lead to 3-2. The Mountaineers responded again with a goal five minutes later from Spangler expanding their lead to 4-2. Carr was able to get another goal to bring Bryant within striking distance with fifteen minutes left. Higgins capped the scoring at 5-3 with an assist from Jarrett in the sixty eighth minute.

"You have to give Bryant credit. We haven't really seen pressure like this all season," Coach Monkiewicz replied when asked about the three goals given up by Mansfield. "They created a lot of opportunities and executed their plays very well."

Fortunately for the Mansfield their offense showed up in full force and put the game away for the Mountaineers.



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Senior Keely Jarrett paced the Mountaineers with two goals on Sunday in a 5-3 win over Bryant

"That's always the trick; being able to out score your opponent," Coach Monkiewicz said about the offensive showing against Bryant. "That's something we're always going to be able to do; score goals."

Coming up in Mountie Sports

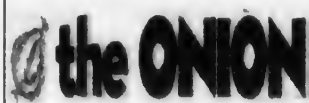
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Today's Weather
Mostly Sunny



High- 71°F
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Steven Besse, New VP of Advancement takes office

By REBECCA HAZEN
Flashlight Writer

Steven Besse has been named the new Vice President of Advancement and Executive Director of the Mansfield University Foundation.

Besse chose this job because he feels strongly about the role of philanthropy in our society. "You meet people with passion and interest to forward the University's mission," Besse said.

"Steve brings the experience of a long and distinguished career in fundraising and philanthropy to Mansfield. His experience, enthusiasm and energy will make him a tremendous asset. We look forward to many years of having Mr. Besse in the Mansfield University community," President Loeschke said.

Besse found President Loeschke's vision appealing. He thinks she represents outstanding leadership and believes they share a lot of the same values.

Besse was chosen through a national search. Besse sent in a letter of interest and a resume. He went through a "grueling" first telephone interview. Then he came to campus and continued the interview process. President Loeschke called him into her office and made the offer. "I considered



PHOTO BY PR DEPARTMENT
Steven Besse is the newly appointed VP of Advancement. He took office on Sep. 4.

the offer for about three seconds before I said yes," Besse said.

Besse's background for his new position is unusual. He spent 24 years in banking, 12 years as president and CEO of New Dawn Enterprises - a petroleum business and five years with the Laurel Health System in Wellsboro, PA.

"I have very little academic history. When I was in the Laurel Health System, I believed in their mission, and I believe in the University's as well. I have worked in the health sector, and I feel blessed to work in the education sector now," Besse said.

Besse describes his job as fundraising and finding ways to increase sustainability and financial capabilities for the University to grow. He will do this by engaging the community, alumni, businesses and anyone the University can consider a friend.

Besse is happy to be a part of Mansfield University. The things he likes the best so far are the students. He thinks Mansfield is an excellent place to learn and gain experience. "A small intimate campus allows people to study in ways they can't in more highly populated areas," Besse said.

SGA Elections holds elections for new senators

By REBEKAH BROWN
Flashlight Writer

Mansfield University's Student Government Association (SGA) elections are being held.

SGA is looking to elect ten senators this fall. Any student can apply for these positions, but freshmen are preferable because they can potentially be four year members.

Mike Conaway is the president of SGA. "We're looking for freshmen who are inspired to change the campus for the better and actively participate in student government. By joining they will become voting delegates on the most important organization on campus," Conaway said.

There is one senator to

represent every 100 students on campus. Conaway encourages anybody interested, who wants to become more active on campus, to apply.

"Senators get to learn about how the school is run, and more importantly, have a say in how the school is run," Conaway said.

Shantee Proctor is the vice president of SGA. "It helps you with your networking. You have more contact with the leaders on campus. We're looking to fill it [SGA] with strong people who wish to develop their leadership qualities," Proctor said.

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Public Relations Department wins award for Podcasts

By JAMIE CURTIS
Flashlight Writer

The Mansfield University Public Relations Department earned the Award of Excellence in the 19th annual Apex Awards for Publications Excellence.

The award was given for the department's podcast marketing campaign because of the university's reputation for being one of the leading pioneers in podcasting technology.

The Apex awards are an annual competition for writers, editors, publications and non-profit communicators. The competition takes place in early spring as marketers send media entries by mail, hoping to gain national

recognition for their efforts. There are over 105 communications categories that receive awards.

The Public Relations Department won an award for its efforts in marketing the podcasting series.

A podcast is an interview similar to an online radio talk show that includes anything from information sessions on financial aid to historical memoirs of previous, influential members of the campus community, concerts, interviews or human interest stories.

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TODAY

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SATURDAY

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Sunny

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TUESDAY

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♦ Famous Author, Jeff Cohen will be giving a presentation at 7 p.m. on September 26 in North Manser entitled "Corporate Media, Corporate Ethics: An Inside View."

♦ The third annual Pennsylvania Governor's Conference for Women will be held Thursday, November 8, 2007 in Philadelphia at the Pennsylvania Convention Center. Keynote speakers include Doris Kearns Goodwin, Evelyn Lauder, Indra K. Nooyi, and Judith Rodin. Mansfield University's President's Commission on the Status of Women will provide funding for a limited number of students to attend this conference. Interested students should contact Dr. Shawndra Holderby at sholderb@mansfield.edu or Dan Mason at dmason@mansfield.edu for an application and submitted by October 1, 2007. For more information view the conference website: <http://www.pagovernorsconferenceforwomen.org/>

'PR AWARD'

Dennis Miller is the Director of the Public Relations Department at Mansfield University and has been for 27 years. Miller and a small group of students created the podcast.

In addition to the regular podcast, they also created a series concerning oral history. The did this by taking interviews beginning in the 1970's as cassette tape recordings and converted to a digital format where they were uploaded to the internet. Some of these recordings contained interviews with descendants of the founders of the university.

MU was the first college in the world to use podcasting technology as a method to recruit new students. The promotion process included producing radio ads, postcards, business cards, and the Internet as a means of advertisement. The Associated Press also did two stories on the program, which ran both nationally and internationally.

One of the biggest factors concerning the podcasts' success, however, was the group of students involved that Miller called a "small

band of pioneering students."

"MU is clearly a leader in podcasting internationally and it just wouldn't exist without the students who have been working with me," Miller said. "We are looking for students to share compelling stories about overcoming obstacles because they are determined to get an education, or those who have interesting stories to tell. We want to showcase the students. We have some of the best students in the world and we want the world to know it."

The Mansfield University podcast attracts about 4,000 listeners a week throughout the U.S. along with 26 countries around the world.

Miller and his team plan to experiment with video podcasts over the next few years.

If there are any students who want to participate in the podcasting sessions, they should contact senior public relations major Nate Herring at herringn@mounties.mansfield.edu. The Mansfield podcast can be found at podcast.mansfield.edu.

'SGA'

This year's election process is different from past years. Previously, the candidates were placed on a paper ballot and elected by the student body. This year the voting will be done by the existing SGA members. Proctor explained that this change was to ensure that new members are committed.

"When we do elections through paper ballots we often get the people who have the most friends stop and vote for them. By changing the process we can make sure we get students that we know will want to come and work hard for our university," Proctor said.

Conaway hopes that the old and new members will improve Mansfield University. "This year we want to have a better say in University Senate as well as

Academic Affairs. We also plan on increasing the communication between clubs and organizations," Conaway said.

Proctor explained that student government oversees all clubs and helps to manage student organizations. "We're doing club checks to make sure that they are running efficiently and using student activities fees the right way," Proctor said.

Elections will take place at SGA meetings which meet every Monday at 9:15 p.m. in room 317 Alumni Hall, until all open positions have been filled. Interested students must fill out an application and give a speech at the next SGA meeting. They should be prepared to field questions from current SGA members. Meetings are open to the public, so anybody may attend.

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Men For Progress hosts conference

By MADDI SMITH
Flashlight Writer

Machismo. How many men out there can honestly say that they have thought about this word? It lurks behind every man's self-esteem, self-image and idea of what a "real" man should be. This is why Men For Progress has stepped up to show men and women that there is more than one way to be a man.

Men For Progress was structured last fall by Mozart Guerrier, who is now the president of the organization. "We are a multi-cultural group trying to change perceptions, break barriers, and show that men do not have to be dictators or patriarchal in order to obtain leadership positions," Guerrier said.

Men For Progress holds forums, sponsors conferences, volunteers in Williamsport and Elmira for at risk youth, and assembles open-mic nights. Forums in the past have been about images of women portrayed

in the media and a look into the minds of women and their thoughts about sexuality. Such forums help to correct the misconceptions.

The first conference will be Sept. 20-Sept. 22. The theme of the conference is Power, Motivation & Masculinity Redesigned for the 21 Century. The conference is designed for student discussion of positive interpretations and understanding of masculinity as well as societal constructs and restricting definitions of masculinity. It will consist of round-table discussions where facilitators will introduce ideas and participants can bounce ideas off of one another. Their first open-mic night will be Sept. 17.

Men For Progress meets every Friday at 4 p.m. in the Student Center room 314. Isaac Musser is the organizations secretary. He can be contacted at musseri@mounties.mansfield.edu.

SAO sponsors bus trips for Mansfield students

By REBECCA HAZEN
Flashlight Writer

The Student Activities Office is sponsoring four trips this semester for Mansfield University students and all others who wish to go.

This semester the trips are to Darien Lake theme park on Sept. 16, the Pennsylvania Renaissance Faire on Sept. 22, New York City on Oct. 27 and Washington D.C. on Nov. 17.

This year some rules and regulations are different regarding the prices and number of people allowed to go. The prices were increased for faculty members, Mansfield students and non-students. Faculty members and non-students have to pay full price for admission. Students used to pay five dollars for each trip, but now the price has increased, depending on if there is an admission fare.

Jim Harrington, Director

of Student Life and Leadership Development, believes that this is fair. "Students should get the discount for the trips because they are initially paying through the Student Activity Fees," Harrington said.

Until recently the rules were looser about the first come, first serve basis. Now, Mansfield Students will get to sign up first.

In order to decide when and where to go, the student activities office looks for holes in the university calendar. The fewer things that are going on at campus, the more people will be able to go on the trip. The second step is to check for availability of resources, for example, buses.

The Committee on Finance funds the trips based on the requests of the student activities office.

Clarence Crisp, director of Student Activities, says it is the

students who decide where to go. "Students will initiate ideas for trips. We plan the trips based on what they enjoy the most. For instance, we can always use another bus for our New York City trips," Crisp said.

Harrington and Crisp think the trips are a great thing for the students.

"Students enjoy the programs a lot. I can't remember a single occasion when there wasn't a good turnout. It is the experience; an experience to go somewhere," Crisp said.

"We are up here in this beautiful rural area, and for just a small fee, students can be taken to other cultural areas. What greater advantage is there to go see New York City for just five dollars?" Harrington said.

Anyone who wishes to get more information or to sign up for these trips can go to Room 323 in Alumni Hall Student Center.

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Beyond the Wall poster sale provided by Student Life and Leadership Development

By Laura Hall
Copy Editor

Beyond The Wall poster sale is returning to Mansfield University Thursday Sept. 13 and Friday, Sept. 14 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the Alumni Hall Student Center.

Beyond The Wall is a poster retailer based in Stroudsburg, Pa. They have been coming to Mansfield University since 1990.

Barb Morgan is the administrative assistant to the Student Life & Leadership Development program, which coordinates the poster sale.

"[Beyond The Wall] has a vast array of posters on virtually any subject imaginable," Morgan said. "Their prices are extremely low, providing a very economical means for students to

decorate their rooms."

Poster designs for sale include art, music, film, photography, vintage and humor.

In addition to the variety of posters they sell at a low cost to benefit the students, Beyond The Wall benefits the university as well.

"Sales generate a modest commission, approximately \$300 or 15 percent, that goes toward the expense of the copier services that AHSC provides to [the] campus at [a] nominal price-per-copy," Morgan said.

There will be another poster sale by Cookie's Fun Shop, based in Wildwood, NJ, October 23 - 25.

Night and Day Coffee Cafe Open Satellite Store, Sept. 4 in Bookstore

By LAURA HALL
Copy Editor

Night and Day Coffee Café opened a satellite store in the Mansfield University Bookstore on Sept. 4.

Last year there were rumors circulating that the university bookstore was moving downtown. According to Donna Casselberry, manager of the Mansfield University Bookstore, that was only partially true.

"[Last year] we were doing surveys and research to find out the cost of opening a satellite [book] store downtown, but it wasn't cost effective," Casselberry said.

The bookstore wanted to put their items somewhere that the community could easily access. It discovered that Night and Day could afford to do a satellite store and found a solution to its problem.

Night and Day and the university bookstore "just swapped spaces," Casselberry said. Night and Day was brought into the bookstore in exchange for letting the bookstore put some of its merchandise in the coffee café downtown.

"We are not trying to compete with Jazzman's," Casselberry said. "This was just a quick and easy fix to

get Mansfield presence downtown."

The Night and Day kiosk is located under the stairwell in the bookstore. The bookstore had the space available and only had to move the health and beauty section to accommodate the kiosk.

Casselberry hopes that the Night and Day kiosk is a permanent fixture in the bookstore.

"The campus benefits because [everyone] has access to the drinks," Casselberry said. "The community will benefit because [the Mansfield] presence downtown will combine the community and the university and allow community members to purchase Mansfield logo items because it is hard for them to get on campus."

For only being open a little over a week, Jes Ricker, owner of Night and Day Coffee Café, is happy with the satellite business.

"She's pleased with [sales] and the people that have stopped in to talk with her and visit," Casselberry said.

The students are also pleased with the Night and Day kiosk.

Connie Jordan, a senior Art History Major and Kate Walls, a sophomore English major, have

been to the kiosk "everyday since it's been open." They think that it's great having Night and Day on campus.

"I can go on my way to class," Jordan said. "And it will be nice in the winter when you don't want to walk downtown because it's freezing."

"It's convenient and more personable," Walls said.

"Some members of the community don't know that [the Mansfield University bookstore] even exists," Casselberry said. "I hope [this move] makes the community see items downtown and feel welcome to come up to the bookstore."

The Night and Day kiosk is open from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. It serves the same drinks as its downtown location at the same prices.

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Campus Events Calendar

Sept 13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Beyond the Wall Poster Sale 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Audron Hall	Beyond the Wall Poster Sale 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Audron Hall		SAO Bus Trip to Darien Lake - MU Student \$10		Emergence-SEE! show 7 p.m. Straight Auditorium	
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
		SAO Bus Trip to Farmington State - MU Student \$10	7 p.m. Dr. Martin Luther King Auditorium			

Tami Tango Trio to Perform in "Flute in the Limelight Series", Sept. 19-20

The Mansfield University "Flute in the Limelight" Series will present the Tami Tango Trio for three events on September 19-20. All events are free and open to the public.

The trio, consisting of Eduardo Tami on flute, Federico Perez playing piano, and Pablo Fauaz on guitar, accompanied by dancers Maria Claudia Marciano and Lucien Gerard Mares, will perform two concerts and teach a class in tango.

On Wednesday, September 19 at 8:45 p.m. a tango class will be held in Steadman Theatre. No experience is necessary but class size will be limited. Call (570)662-4726 to reserve a spot in the class.

On Thursday, September 20 at 1 p.m. in Steadman Theatre, a 50-minute performance will feature the music, dance and history of Argentina. Several MU faculty will appear as guest artists.

Thursday evening at 8 p.m. in Straughn Hall, the ensemble will give

a performance featuring the music and dance of Argentina and the history and evolution of the tango.

Since 2002, Argentinean flutist Eduardo Tami has performed tangos, milongas, valsés and candombes as part of "A Dedo y a Pulmón," a tango duet whose name is created based on a pun that makes reference to the use of lungs and fingers that these two instruments basically need to be executed.

Tami has recorded a total of six CDs with both groups and has toured the U.S. and Latin America many times. As part of his tour he includes how the music and history of Argentina are inextricably bound together.

Christine Moulton, assistant professor of Music and "Flute in the Limelight" Series organizer, says the purpose of the series is "to bring professional flutists from a variety of musical disciplines to Mansfield for concerts, educational presentations,

workshops and lessons."

Moulton adds that planning is underway to bring MU flute students to area elementary, middle and high schools concerts, demonstrations and clinics in an effort to enhance music education in the North-Central Pennsylvania and Southern-Central New York.

For more information, contact Moulton at (570)662-4726 or cmoulton@mansfield.edu.

The project was assisted by state grant funding from the Pennsylvania Partners in the Arts (PPA) and the Pennsylvania Council on the Arts (PCA). The grant was administered by the Bradford County Regional Arts Council (BCRAC).

What in the World: News in a Flash

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight News Co-Editor

and lawyer were acquitted of plunder charges.

World News

West Virginia, USA- Six West Virginian residence will be charged with kidnapping, torturing, and sexually assaulting an African-American woman for a minimum of a week. Hate crime charges may be added because of her race and her attackers (who were white). The victim, Megan Williams, was found by police on Saturday after receiving an anonymous tip. A mother and son, mother and daughter, and two men were arrested and charged with the above mentioned crimes.

Local News

Elmira, New York- Police investigated reports that a gun was fired at 1:55 a.m. They found .45-caliber shells, but no shooter. Nobody was hurt.

Ashland, Pennsylvania- Kyle Bradley, 28, will face second-degree murder for a hit-and-run that left 17-year old Steven Bacon dead at the scene. Bradley's trial will begin soon, jury selection begins Sept. 19.



Manila, Philippines- Former Philippines President Joseph Estrada was kicked out of office in 2001 by the country's second non-violent "people power" revolt. He was convicted of plunder (a capital offense) and acquitted of perjury. Estrada's son



CNN.COM

Estrada was convicted of plunder, a capital offense. He had to give up a mansion and \$15.5 million.

Williamsport, Pennsylvania- Firefighters in South Williamsport remembered those fallen in 9-11. A tribute was paid in the community park to those who lost their lives. Firefighters from three stations took turns reading the 345 names of firefighters who lost their lives due to the tragedy.

Information from cnn.com, sungazette.com, and stargazette.com

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This Week In Politics - National and World News

By CHRISTIAN JOHNSON
Flashlight Writer

Bin Laden Releases Tape

For the first time in three years, Osama Bin Laden appeared in a video tape that urged Americans to embrace Islam if they want to end the war in Iraq and avoid attacks. The video tape, which comes just days short of the six year anniversary of September 11, ran about 30 minutes long. It appeared to be recently made since Bin Laden made accurate statements about the Democratic victory in Congress and about French President Nicolas Sarkozy. Despite not making any threats of an imminent attack, he mocked the U.S. for their so-called "failures" in Iraq. He then went on to make suggestions about how to end the war in Iraq. "There are two solutions to stopping it. One is from our side, and that is to escalate the fighting and killing against you. This is our duty, and our brothers are carrying it out," Bin Laden said. "The second solution is from your side. I invite you to embrace Islam." On Friday Sept. 6, The Department for Homeland Security said there is no imminent threat of an attack, but says Al Qaeda usually uses the anniversary of Sept. 11 as a toll to push their propaganda.



GOOGLE IMAGES

Bin Laden's new video instructs Americans to "embrace Islam" in order to end the war.

Islamic Militants Arrested in Germany

Berlin, Germany- Three home-grown Islamic militants from an Al Qaeda-supported group were arrested on allegations that they planned to commit massive bomb attacks against Americans in Germany. Of the three men, two are Germans who converted to Islam and the other is a Turkish citizen who is linked to a terrorist organization in Central Asia. The men possessed over 1,500 pounds of hydrogen peroxide, which is enough to produce an explosive device with the power of 1,200 pounds of T.N.T.

A senior U.S State Department official said German investigators concluded that the Frankfurt International Airport and the U.S Ramstein Air Base were the main targets of the terror plot.

Republicans hold debate

On Sept. 5, Republican presidential hopefuls held a debate in New Hampshire where Iraq, immigration, family values and gun control were primary issues. One person missing from the debate was former Tennessee Senator and "Law and Order" actor Fred Thompson who skipped the debate to officially announce his candidacy on "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno." Thompson also released an internet web cast that ran on his official website. Thompson's absence from the debate gave other candidates a chance to poke a little fun at his decision to not show up. "I was scheduled to be on Jay Leno tonight, but I gave up my slot for somebody else because I'd rather be in New Hampshire with these fine people," said former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee.

One new issue that was brought up during the debate was about former Idaho Senator Larry Craig, who recently pled guilty to a misdemeanor charge for allegedly soliciting sex to an undercover police

officer in a men's restroom at a Minnesota Airport. All candidates agreed that Craig needed to resign and announce that he made a mistake by pleading guilty to a crime he claims he never committed. "We shouldn't walk away from family values for fear that instances like this will happen within our party," Kansas senator Sam Brownback said.

Bush pushes support for war strategy

After a diplomatic trip to Australia, President Bush says he will return home next week to Capitol Hill to urge Republicans and Democrats to unite and support the war strategy he will propose for the next stage of U.S involvement in Iraq. The president will have to battle Democratic leaders who want to pass legislation that would set up a withdrawal beginning as early as this fall. With recent improvements and the positive response of his surprise trip to the Al Anbar province, President Bush hopes to maintain strong support from GOP lawmakers. Military reports show that sectarian



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Idaho senator Larry Craig was urged to resign at a conference in New Hampshire, due to his recent misdemeanor charge.

killings in Baghdad have decreased rapidly. In war-torn areas such as Mansour and Ur, markets that were abandoned for years have finally begun to revive and regain business. During his weekly radio address, the president discussed his recent surprise trip to Western Iraq, where he met with Iraqi leaders and local sheiks who have joined coalition forces in fighting Al Qaeda. Next week, Ryan Crocker, the U.S Ambassador to Iraq and General David Petraeus will testify to Congress about whether or not the troop surge has helped to eliminate violence and stabilize the nation.

Online college on the rise, large increase in enrollment

By KIMBERLEE BLOCKER
Flashlight Writer

Imagine instead of toting around a full book bag and walking from class to class, the class came to you. Online courses are becoming more and more popular among college students. At first, online courses weren't expected to be successful, but in the national survey by the Sloan Consortium, online degrees are on an increasing rise since 2002 and more than 3.2 million students were reported to have taken at least one online course.

More college students are choosing to receive their degrees virtually rather than attend a class at a regular university. Colleges and universities have even jumped on the bandwagon and are offering more online courses in their curriculum. According to Buzzle.

com, Harvard has a new addition to their school program offering over 100 online courses. Instead of going completely online, some universities are offering students the choice of taking a course both online and in the classroom, in which you receive the same type of degree as those who have had full-time classes.

Most students who have taken an online course find them pretty enjoyable compared to the standard classroom course. "I like online classes" Naderah Rohm, a first year student at Mansfield University, said. "It seems as though I learn more than what I would with a teacher." Another student, Leslie Rodriguez, from Seton Hill, found her experience just as enjoyable. "I can honestly say that I learned more in those two weeks than I



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Online classes are becoming more popular.

would have learned had it been a traditional semester long class," Rodriguez said. "The effort that a student must put forward for an online class is immense and forces them to be serious about the

materials or be left behind."

The work load of an online course may be about the same, but usually the assignments are due by the end of the day, week or within a couple weeks. Online courses give

students more freedom to actually get the work done rather than to rush or feel overwhelmed. If online classes didn't sound good enough already, they are also transferable and the degree that is received upon completion is as good as one from any university. But this poses the question: will universities and colleges soon become obsolete?

"I doubt it" Audrey Lincoln, a sophomore at Cheney University in Philadelphia, said. "Online courses may seem easy, but not everyone is going to like them. I don't. I'd rather learn in a classroom and meet people rather than be behind a computer all day. It all depends on a person's preference."

Nielsen ratings indicate fewest TV viewers since 1987

By BRITTANY SERAFINI

Flashlight Writer

Whether they were enjoying the last days of summer, reading or sleeping, one thing is certain – people were not watching TV the first week of September. According to CNN, the major broadcast networks hit the negative numbers in ratings.

Nielsen Media Research reported that NBC and Fox had their lowest ratings in the 18-49 year old viewers since 1987. ABC tied with its two other record-breaking lows that occurred two weeks over the summer.

According to Nielsen, the reported 4.2 million viewers of all ages that watched NBC was its lowest in decades. The first week of September was also the third-lowest for ABC, fourth-lowest for Fox and ninth-lowest for CBS.

Most of the networks have been airing more reruns than usual, making it obvious that the networks did not put much emphasis on last week. The new fall season starts at the end of September, but with such low ratings, viewers are not seeing the previews of their favorite shows or new shows.

The only program to receive more than 10 million viewers was a rerun of CBS's "Two and a Half Men."

According to Nielsen, CBS lead the week with 6.8 million viewers (4.5 rating), Fox had 4.4 million viewers (2.8), ABC had 4.3 million (2.9), NBC had 4.2 million (2.8), the CW had 1.8 million (1.2), My Network TV had 920,000 (0.7) and ION had 590,000 (0.4).

A ratings point represents 1,130,000 households, or 1 percent of the nation's estimated 112.8 million TV homes, according to CNN.

The decline in ratings has been happening for a while. Networks such as CBS (CBS) and NBC (General Electric) have argued that the ratings drop are due to changes in rating methodology and increased DVR usage. According to major networks, DVR usage increased TV viewing in households that have them.

Nielsen went back to investigate the networks' claims and found that the decrease in ratings is because people are watching less TV. Nielsen research also found that DVR-households watch less TV now than before owning a DVR and the decline in ratings is "most pronounced" in households that watch the most TV.

"The biggest losses in tuning appear to be coming from the homes that tuned the most last year," Nielsen reported. "Some homes are tuning relatively more this year, these are

generally the lowest tuning homes in the panel; the heavy tuners who acquire DVRs tend to tune less, more than offsetting these increases, resulting in overall [households using television] declines."

Nielsen Top 10

Prime-time viewership numbers compiled by Nielsen Media Research for August 27-September 2:

1. "Two and a Half Men," CBS, 10.31 million viewers.
2. "The Power of Ten" (Tuesday), CBS, 9.89 million viewers.
3. "CSI: Miami," CBS, 9.09 million viewers.
4. "CSI: NY," CBS, 8.9 million viewers.
5. "Criminal Minds," CBS, 8.46 million viewers.
6. "The Power of Ten" (Wednesday), CBS, 8.34 million viewers.
7. "Big Brother 8" (Tuesday), CBS, 8.14 million viewers.
8. "House," Fox, 7.95 million viewers.
9. "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," CBS, 7.77 million viewers.
10. "Rules of Engagement," CBS, 7.62 million viewers.



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"CSI: Miami," along with its sibling series, "CSI: NY," and "CSI: Crime Scene Investigation," all made the ten most viewed shows of what's been called the worst week of television since 1987. All three shows were under 10 million viewers, however; "Two and a Half Men" remained the lone program above that mark.

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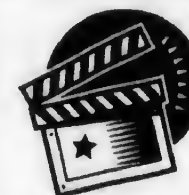
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1.) U.S. 'Sends Message' to Iraq With Massive Display of Beefcake

September 11, 1996



This article, years before the 9/11 attacks (though ironically appearing on 9/11/96), pokes fun at the U.S. depoloyment of troops to Iraq to disrupt the aggression on the Kurds. Here, the U.S. government deploys hunky, American models to send the message that "One, the United States will not stand for continued Iraqi military expansion, and two, it's raining men." The article goes on to say that though Saddam poses quite a manly figure himself, he is no match for "adorable Anton or great, big Burt." Backed up by facts like 70% of Iraqi soldiers are insecure with their looks and Islamic exotic dancers are, by law, to remain fully covered from head to toe in black cloth, and must remain motionless below the neck, the deployment of the "hearty slices of eye-popping man candy" is an effort to make the Iraqi soldiers too jealous to fight. The high point of the article comes in quote form, from Marvin Balcombe, head of the National Foreign Policy Institute in Washington, DC: "Hussein's continued aggression against the Kurdish people demands a firm response," he said. "And I'm tellin' you right now, you don't get any firmer than this, baby. Six-foot-four, 200 pounds, rippling biceps, washboard abs. We're talking about a muscleboy militia on a mission to ecstasy."



Touching on one of the most sensitive subjects in American history, this article avoids making any cracks on the actual shootings, but lets loose on the student society of Columbine High School. Taking it's setting on the re-opening of the school after the tragedy, the article explains that "a spirit of boosterism, school pride and unquestioning conformity once again prevailed as the elite jock crowd 'took back the school' as its own." Quoting the stereotype popular groups, such as the football players, cheerleaders and homecoming queens, the article reports that "fashion consultants, who are lending their time and expertise to help educators identify 'at-risk' clothing and hair" such as Marilyn Manson t-shirts, long jackets, tattoos, and non-designer clothes. Those will be replaced with "Tommy Hilfiger jeans, Gap T-shirts and Abercrombie & Fitch baseball caps with a curved brim." Hilariously, the article even presents statistics of "swirlies, noogies and wedgies doled out to Columbine's many outcasts" have more than doubled since last year. When one student cheers, "Go Rebels!", the mascot of Columbine, we are right away informed that she was, in fact, referring to the mascot, not to the "computer geeks," "economically disadvantaged," or "chess club, year-book, or debate team members." Somehow, in the midst of it's comedy, the article makes a point, seeing as how the two students responsible for the shootings fit into the outcasted group, and blamed it on that exact fact.

the ONION Top 5 Most Absurd Ar

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By MIKE LENGEL
Features Editor



3.) Doctors Find New Way to Prolong Meaningless Existence

September 2, 1998

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In nearby Ithaca, NY, we read that scientists "announced Tuesday that a revolutionary new synthetic hormone that retards the human aging of individuals to extend the churning, meaningless void known as life 20 years." The research involved injecting subjects between the ages of 18 and 25 with "Noexitoxylalynucleothylinase," which slowed the aging process by 20 years to their futile, purposeless existences." The reporter interviews an Alzheimer's Disease patient who comments on the results of the experiment: "The doctors say I can live on without any purpose whatsoever for years, but I'm still within the bleak prison of shattered dreams and blasted hopes that life is meaningless." It's applications of treating cancer have also been experimented, but not curing. One doctor comments that instead of a life expectancy, "that sense of misery in the face of an uncaring universe stretched out over many years of grueling family crisis, despair, painful surgery and surgery." The drug promises to make "the hellish emptiness of our lives" nearly inescapable.



4.) LAPD Discovers Hidden Deformed Olsen Triplet

July 23, 2003

5.) Jesus Demands Creative Control Over Next Movie

March 3, 2004

In response to Mel Gibson's *Passion of the Christ*, "Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ announced that He will demand creative control over the next film based on His life." Angry about giving Gibson so much license, He doesn't limit his criticisms to *Passion*: "There have been a lot of films based on My life, and pretty much all of them have gotten it wrong," Christ said. After a long overdue visit to the physical world, Christ said it was



seeing *The Passion* that finally helped Him make up His mind. In describing one of his main annoyances, Christ said of the depiction of the Apostles, "Directors get the piety, but they don't bring out the personalities behind the agape love. Some of those guys were real cut-ups, you know. Simon Peter could make you laugh until you cried tears of blood." The article quotes Jesus in saying the inaccuracy fault does not lie completely in the director's hands, but partially in

The New Testament, and that He mistakenly left it up to His team of writers, instead of Himself. In order to make up for the lack of accuracy, Our Lord and Savior has teamed up with Ron Bass, director of *My Best Friend's Wedding*, to save the world of Heavenly depiction. The project is currently being named *Untitled Jesus Project*. "It really beefs up My relationship with John the Baptist, something all of the other movies missed," Christ said. "They always put in the beheading, but they leave out the quiet moments when John and I would hang out, eat locusts and honey, and talk about the redemption of Man. I think our friendship will really resonate with a lot of viewers." The Lord Jesus continued, praising Martin Scorsese's *The Last Temptation of Christ*. He announced that His new film will be "the next *Last Temptation*." When asked of directing choices, Christ added, "Even with the top-notch screenplay Ron and I are writing, I'll still need a great director to make the script shine. Unfortunately, Gore Verbinski is already committed to *Pirates Of The Caribbean 2*." Jesus said. "Let us pray."

In this wild story, the police find a "ragged and mishappen girl" in the basement of Mary-Kate and Ashley-Olsen's house. The third sister, Ethel, was described as "twisted, hunched," and "foul smelling," along with disfigurements like "hair covering over 60 percent of her diminutive body, teeth protruding through her bottom lip, and her only useful limb a prehensile claw." The parents, at the risk of negative publicity, abandoned the child to prevent someone from noticing "the dim similarities the hideous mutant bore to her apple-cheeked siblings, who only grew in popularity as the years went by." Ethel, now 17, was forced to stay in the basement which had "no heat or ventilation, and only a single grimy, barred basement window provided light. There was no plumbing, so Ethel was forced to scuttle into a corner and defecate in a drain." Gross. Furthermore, "Police say she subsisted on rainwater, half-eaten bagels salvaged from talk-show green rooms, and any small rodents she was able to catch; she saved their bones in a corner, along with a pile of coughed-up pellets. The girl owned no toys other than a headless Mattel Ashley doll, onto which she had stuck hanks of her own body hair." She speaks in only grunts and howls, and occasionally hums the tune of "I Am the Cute One," an Olsen twins recording from 1992. Quoting LAPD officers, Lieutenant Ron Mudd was in charge of the silly investigation. "In a way, I wish we'd never found Ethel. As a cop, I see a lot of ugliness every day, but this devastates me. How could something so hideous be connected to something so pure and wholesome?" Mudd said. "My daughter loves Mary-Kate and Ashley, and this is going to be hard to explain to her."

Opinion & Editorial

"from the editor's desk"



I've discovered that the one thing I'm truly passionate about in my life is the news. I've always loved the news. When normal little kids were running around pretending to be firefighters or policeman I was running around holding my "mic" having hard hitting interviews with my stuffed animals.

Now as a journalism major and Editor of *The Flashlight* I'm having real interviews with actual people about real stories. To me (yes, I am a nerd) that's pretty exciting.

The television is constantly on in my house and typically tuned to CNN, I get the New York Times headlines e-mailed to me every day and I am constantly on news sites online. Yet I still feel like I

Importance of the news

don't know enough, people are always telling me about stories that I haven't heard and I feel like I'm pretty well informed.

I know people aren't as crazy as me about the news, I've only met a few people in my life that try to keep up with the news as much as I do.

But I really wish that people would be even slightly interested in it. I feel like the majority of people feel like the news is boring and not worth their time. I'm not even talking about *The Flashlight* here, I'm talking about local, national and international news. It is so important to stay informed about what is going on in your world.

Compared to any other country, United States citizens are the least knowledgeable and informed about what is going on in the world. The majority of Americans don't even know what is going on in our own country.

If you've ever watched *The Tonight Show with Jay Leno*, you know exactly what I'm talking about. In the segment "Jay Walking" when they ask people on the street the most basic questions such as, "Who is the Vice President of

the United States?" and people honestly have no clue! It's just sad.

If people would bother to watch the news at least once a week they would know the answer to that.

Not only is the news informative but a lot of the time, its really entertaining and interesting. For example the simple story of the girl who got kicked off Southwest Airline for wearing to "skimpy" of clothing. That's a really interesting story and can trigger a lot of conversation between people. That story sounds ridiculous but I ended up having a half hour conversation with someone about it.

The news enables you to know what is going on in this country. One story in particular that caught my attention recently is the story of the "Jena 6" as they're being called.

Six African American men were charged as adults with attempted murder when they fought a white student at their high school. The white student was released from the hospital that very same day. This fight was not unprovoked, some would even say it was self-defense.

When the African American

students sat under a tree that white students typically sat under, the next day there were three nooses hanging from that tree. The white students that hung the nooses were simply suspended for a couple days. This caused so much racial tension which resulted in fights, the school being set on fire, guns being pulled on students and eventually the final fight that ended up with the "Jena 6" being charged with murder. The charges were eventually dropped down to assault and battery, but one of the "Jena 6" is still being tried as an adult, when he's actually only 17. When I heard this story it was unbelievable to me that people still act this way.

Being aware of important stories like this one really allows you to see that in some places things haven't changed. As a result of being aware, you can help make things change. People often say that they don't care what's going on because they can't do anything about it. But I am a firm believer that anyone can make a change in the world, even if it's only within one person, it's still a change. Corny, I know, but I stand by it and so should you.

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Letters to the Editor: Feedback on "The Flashlight"... keep it coming!!

Dear Editor,

The Flashlight issue last week had a few problems that I would like to bring up. In the article "Mansfield improves security measures in residence halls", I do not agree with the statement that 'people would definitely agree that the lock down keeps students feeling safer in the dorms.' I do not feel any safer than I did last year. People can still get in the dorms because there is always someone who will hold the door open. Many times I have gotten into my dorm without a key this semester. If I can do it, than an unwanted person can still do it too. The 24 hour lock down is more of a nuisance than anything.

I also think that the politics section should be shrunk down a bit. I think it is a good idea to have a politics section, but I will be honest and say that I think it took up way to much space, and I never ended up reading it because it looked to be too much to handle. I was taught by Mr. Mason in intro to journalism class that a writer needs to catch someones attention in the first sentences, otherwise a reader will only read the first paragraphs before getting bored and moving on to the next article. The writer of this section (not mentioning any names) should apply this rule. I was bored by looking at the big paragraphs. Why not split the section in half, and bring back the world and local news? That has not been in the Flashlight recently, and I like reading that section.

Problems with new residence life security policies

Dear Editor,

I disagree with the article "Mansfield improves security measures in residence halls." This article seemed very biased and did not show both sides of the subject. The writer interviewed two people who could not give a full opinion – an RA, who is unlikely to speak out against the policy, and a freshman, who has no previous dorm experience to compare to. The opposing view was dismissed as "just an inconvenience," without any quotes.

The new policy is ineffective. Anybody can, and most will, hold the door for somebody, even someone they do not know. It is easy for anybody to evade the policy this way. However, instead of protecting students, the lockdown policy is a way for the university to say that we are protected from "outsiders," a point that is emphasized in the article when it says "Last year, random people my have been in the dorms that people have not seen on campus before." The Virginia Tech shooter was a student at Virginia Tech, not somebody never seen before. The dorm where he shot two people had locks that could only be opened with ID, but he got in anyway. Our new lockdown policy will be just as ineffective should this ever happen here.

This policy will not change the way students who put themselves and others in danger are treated or taken care of, and it will not change the societal conditions that make people feel that way. Instead, it punishes everybody for the actions of one individual. The policy is designed to make us feel safer, but it is a false sense of security.

Emily Kurzdorfer

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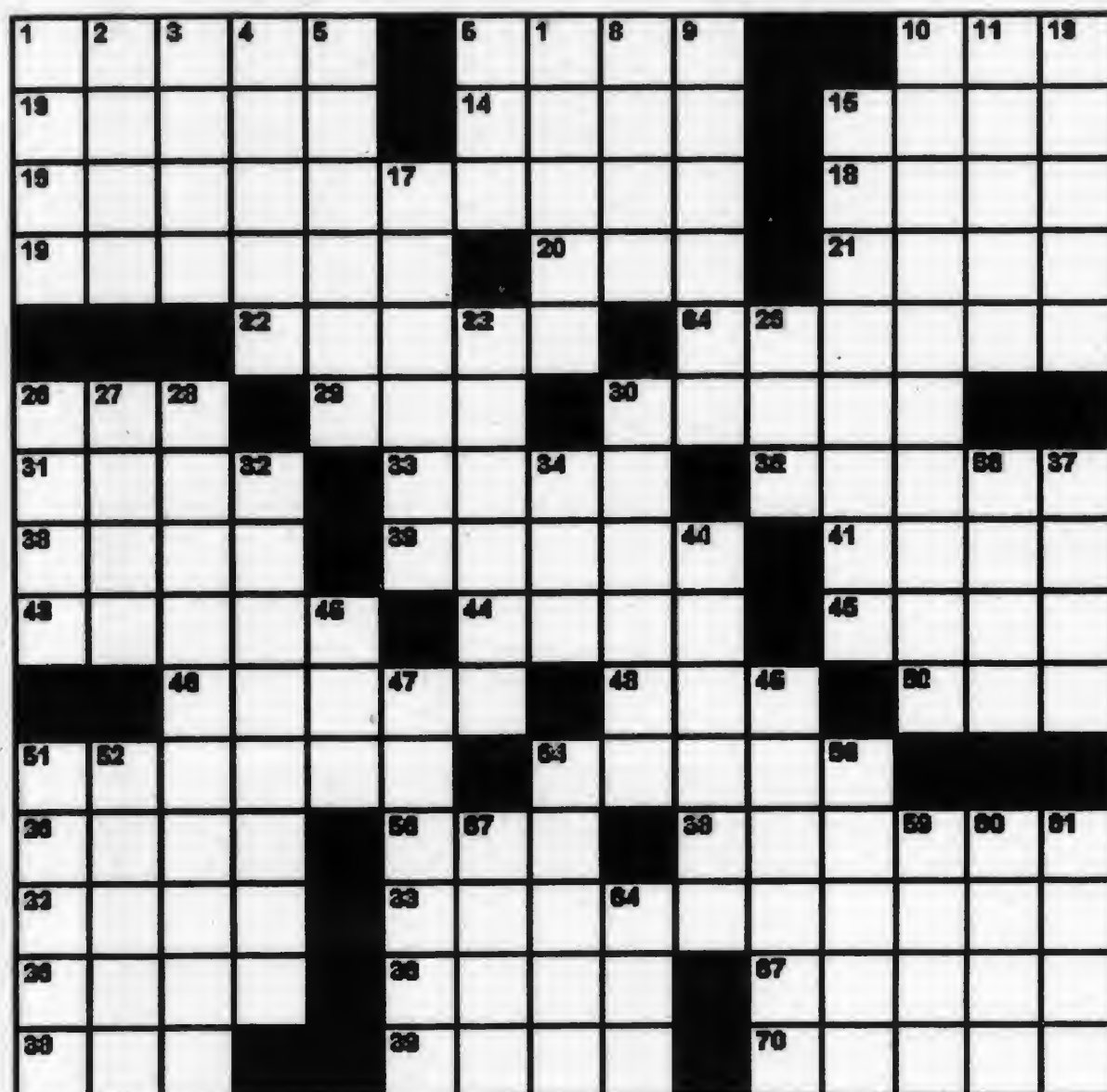
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Where are they now: Mansfield football players that are still playing

By ERIC BOHANNON

Flashlight Sports Editor

There seemed to be a lot of talk this week about the former Mansfield University Football program. I'm not sure why it happened to be this week, but that's the way it is. The *Elmira Star-Gazette* was here to do a story about the school not having football and it ended up on the front page of the paper. Not the front page of the sports, the Front Page.

No matter how mad I get, there is nothing I can do



PHOTO FROM WEST LIBERTY STATE SPORTS INFORMATION
Greg Hopkins transferred to Mansfield from Alfred State Junior College as a junior and then transferred to West Liberty State to play his final season of collegiate football after Mansfield dropped their program. The Hilltoppers are 2-0 this season.

now to change the decision that was made. That will be hard, since every Saturday for the next three months will pass by and I will have no game to get ready for. The one thing that makes me happy is a number of players from last year's football team have kept on playing football for other colleges.

I found 16 players that were on various rosters in various levels at the collegiate level. Every player but one was at the Division II level, and all but four players were playing in the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference. The one player that not playing Division II is playing at division 1-AA Wagner.

Rodney Davis now plays at Wagner and has played in both games this season. Davis has 15 carries on the season for 82 yards and a touchdown. His touchdown last week sent the game into overtime. Wagner is 1-1 on the season.

Three former Mountaineers found their way to Millersville. John Banzhof is the teams place kicker and is 1-1 on extra points this season and is also 1-1 on field goals, making a 42 yard kick last week in Millersville's 21- 5 loss to Slippery Rock. Linebacker Jordan Shank played in the Marauders first game against Shepherd and recorded three tackles. Mike Taylor also played defense against Shepherd.

Lock Haven has two former Mountaineers playing for them. Chris Williams is starting at left guard for the Bald Eagles and Chad Collier has seen time at defensive tackle in both of Lock Haven's games this year recording two tackles and a tackle for a loss.

Former Mansfield cornerback Greg Hopkins made his presence known in his first game playing for West Liberty State. Hopkins intercepted a pass and returned it 53 yards in a West Liberty State win to improve the team to 2-0 on the season. Kevon Calhoun saw some time at running back. Also joining the West Liberty State team this year was two former Mansfield coaches. Dan Hopkins is coaching the offensive line while Curtis Cooper is coaching the running backs for the Hilltoppers.

Last years opening day starting quarterback is now playing defense for Mercyhurst. Garrett Kensity has had three tackles playing the linebacker position and helping Mercyhurst to a 2-1 start.

Mike Gardier has started both games this season for the Kutztown Golden Bears and has a recorded 13 tackles and

two pass break ups. Kutztown is 1-1 so far this season.

The IUP Crimson Hawks also got three former Mansfield players with Earnest "Poohbear" McNeal, Josh Miller, and Jermaine Smith. The trio helped lead IUP to a season opening 80-14 whitewashing over Cheyney. IUP set a record with the 80 points. McNeal had a hand in the record with two touchdowns and 89 yards rushing. Smith had three tackles and a tackle for loss.

Even though they are not playing for the Mountaineers anymore, it is nice to see that they are still doing what they love to do.

Where are they Now?

Players	School
John Banzhof	Millersville
Chad Collier	Lock Haven
Rodney Davis	Wagner
Jimmy Doran	Edinboro
Tom Duer	West Chester
Jordan Shank	Millersville
Mike Taylor	Millersville
Kevon Calhoun	West Liberty State
Greg Hopkins	West Liberty State
Justin Athans	Northern Michigan
Mike Gardier	Kutztown
Garrett Kensity	Mercyhurst
Jermaine Smith	IUP
Josh Miller	IUP
Earnest McNeal	IUP
Chris Williams	Lock Haven
Tramaine Young	Brockport State
Matt Federico	Lock Haven

Coaches

Dan Hopkins- West Liberty State- Offensive Line coach
Curtis Cooper- West Liberty State- Running Backs Coach
Eddie Brown- Grand Valley State- Running Backs coach
Dave Likins- Northville High School- Defensive Cord.

Track & Field Sponsors Secret Sneaker Sale

Mansfield University's Track and Field team is sponsoring a Secret Sneaker Sale

8 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Thursday, September 20 at the Kelchner Fitness Center.



Come look for shoes, shirts, shorts and various other items.

Credit cards, checks, and cash will be accepted.

The sale will benefit the Mountaineer track team.



Have you ever wanted to be in **control**, as well as have a major input on this campus?

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Requirements include leadership, willingness to learn and a 2.25 GPA

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**BIG PLANS AND IDEAS FOR THIS
UPCOMING YEAR!!!!**

On the Sidelines with Robyn Travisano: four year Starter

By NICOLE HAGAN
Flashlight Sports Writer

Take a four year starter, second year captain of the Mansfield Women's Soccer Team, a 2006 PSAC Scholar-Athlete and who do you get? The answer, quite modestly, is senior criminal justice major Robyn Travisano. The defender from Hellertown, PA has been a major contributor to the soccer team's success throughout the past four years. She has started every game since her freshman year, which is 53 and counting.

Before interviewing one of Mansfield's athletic leaders, I asked Coach Dempsey, the coach of the soccer Team for a few words on one of his most prominent players.

"Robyn has been a great representative of our soccer program both on and off the field since the first day she arrived on campus. She is a very hard worker in practice and has been a very steady player for our team," Dempsey said. "Academically, Robyn has been a scholar-athlete in the classroom and is very involved with the student government association and the SAAC (Student Athlete Advisory Committee). She is a very well-rounded individual who I know will be successful in life because of her work ethic and willingness to get involved and be a leader."

So with praise from coach Dempsey already down on paper, I was eagerly awaiting my interview with Robyn. We met in Maple Dormitory and decided to take the interview into one of the meeting rooms; a quieter one-on-one interview area, or so I thought. The room I so wisely choose had been set up for some kind of banquet. A table full of food serving dishes and sodas on ice lay before us.

"As you can see, I've set out a wonderful banquet for our interview today," I joked. Robyn laughed. I can only imagine what thoughts were going through her head about the crazy reporter who was about to interview her. On that fun and foolish note, the interview began.

Nicole Hagan: So, how long have you been playing soccer?

Robyn Travisano: Oh wow, I've played soccer for a long time, since I was in elementary school.

NH: You also played basketball and volleyball in high school. Why did you decide to play soccer in college rather than either of those sports?

RT: I played basketball for a while, but not nearly as long as soccer and I only began playing volleyball my sophomore year in high school. Soccer has just always been my first priority. It's what I played year round and have had the most experience with.

NH: What motivates you to play?

RT: I love playing soccer and I'm a very competitive person, so sports were always something that fit my personality well. I guess it's just my competitiveness and love for the game that motivates me.

NH: Why did you come to Mansfield University and did the soccer team affect your decision to come here?

RT: I liked the area, it suited me. But yeah, the soccer team was another reason I came here also. From day one it seemed like I clicked well with the team.

NH: What was your most rewarding experience with the Mansfield Women's Soccer Team?

RT: I would have to say our game on Monday against Kutztown. This was the first time in my four years of playing on the team that we beat them. The game ended 2-1. Starting

our freshman year, we lost to them 6-0. So the progress we've made and the overall defeat of someone we've never beaten before was pretty rewarding. Our whole team was yelling like we'd just won the championship. It was great.

NH: What would you say was your most difficult task concerning your college soccer experience?

RT: There were a few things that were hard. Even though my parents made it to every game and they've always been big supporters, it was difficult being far away from home sometimes. My most difficult times were as a freshman though. You have to learn good time management; balancing school with practice and long bus rides. Also, it was difficult as a freshman coming to a new team and having to get used to the new players all over again. It takes some adapting after you'd played with the same kids from your high school for so long.

NH: Last year it seemed that you guys started off slow but got better and started winning more games toward the end of the season. So far you've started off the new season with a tied game against Edinboro, a loss to Shippensburg, and a greatly sought after win against Kutztown. How important do you think it is that the team gets off to a good start?

RT: Well, let me first explain that we went into the season with the knowledge that we're ranked seventh out of seventeen teams. Knowing that we're one of the underdogs and that we're a better team than what our rank shows, it pushes us to step it up and it keeps our team in a very competitive mindset. Hopefully we'll be consistently good throughout the entire season and not just wait until the end to pick up momentum. So yeah, it's pretty important that we get off to a good start.

NH: What do you do in the off season to get prepared for the regular season? Is there anything special that the team does or that you do to help get ready?

RT: Well, the team gets together and does small group stuff twice a week and we scrimmage a lot. As for me, I lift weights and run.

NH: Are there any changes in strategies or areas for improvement that the team will try to focus on this year?

RT: I think we need to work on our communication throughout the game and maintain more endurance throughout its entirety also. Sometimes we'll get tired and that's when we start to slip. So, we need to try to stay pumped up. Also like you said, we need to start winning earlier in the season.

NH: How does it feel to be named team captain?

RT: Last year, when I was named team captain by our coach, I felt honored and happy to withhold that position. I still do in fact. It holds a lot of responsibility, but I'm thankful to take on the task.

NH: What are your plans for after graduation?

RT: I want to go to law school and get a lawyer's degree; move to Washington D.C. if possible. I'm hoping to get a job in family law, forensic psychology, or maybe even investigative work. Over the summer I'll continue to play soccer in a summer league, if I'm still in the area, and continue coaching.

NH: Coaching? Who and what sport do you coach?

RT: I coach little kids' soccer through an association called



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior defender scored her first goal of the season in a 2-1 win over Millersville on Saturday. The four year starter also

M.A.R.A. (Mansfield Area Recreation Association). Our first game is actually this Sunday.

NH: What memories or achievements will you take with you when you leave Mansfield and the Mansfield Women's Soccer Team?

RT: Being in any team sport, you learn to work well with people and gain better communication skills. There's also a lot of responsibility involved with being a team captain, so I'll take those experiences with me. As for memories, I think I'll have to go back to winning against Kutztown on Monday.

NH: Is there anything else you'd like to add?

RT: Yeah. One of the greatest things to witness over the past four years is being able to watch our team progress and get better. From my freshman year to my senior year, it's been a great experience. I love the support we seem to get from everyone; professors, faculty, and students. It's great that people have an interest in the sport and come out to give their encouragement.

Soccer beats Millersville, ranked in Northeast polls for first time

By CHRIS KINNER
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University Soccer team only had one game this week, but they took advantage of it by defeating Millersville University 2-1.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Sophomore Brittany Lauck has been a key cog in the defensive lineup for the Mountaineers. Lauck played in 18 games last year, starting in 11 of them.

The Mountaineers were out shot in the game by Millersville 17-6. However, the Mountaineers made their shots counts. Senior captain Robyn Travisano gave Mansfield the 1-0 lead 23 minutes into the game when she scored on a direct kick from 25 yards out. The goal was her first of the season and the third of her career.

"Robyn played outstanding," head coach Tim Dempsey said. "Not just scoring the goal, but defensively she was everywhere we needed her to be. Brittany Lauck and Kelsey Gelina played with great effort back there as well."

The score remained 1-0 until the 71 minute when freshman Karli Nester scored the first goal of her collegiate career. Nester was set up by senior Caroline Furfato, who deflected the ball to Nester.

Millersville cut the lead in half when goalie Karrine Riggins took a free kick from 20 yards out with only three minutes left in the game.

Millersville wasn't able to muster anything else offensively and the Mountaineers came back home with a 2-1 win.

"It was a tough win for us," Dempsey said. "They battled hard and it is good for them to get a way even though they didn't play well."

The now #8 team in the Northeast region, the Mountaineers come home to play Clarion on Wednesday and will host Slippery Rock on Saturday.

After a four day layoff, the Mountaineers will travel to West Chester and then finish out the week at IUP.

The Mountaineers are now 2-1-1 on the season. They have victories over Kutztown and Millersville and a tie with Edinboro.

The Mountaineers are led on offense by Lyndi Keiser who leads the team in goals with three and in points with six.

Travisano and Nester have a goal apiece, while seniors Colleen Corcoran and Caroline each have one assist on the season.

The Mountaineers have allowed no more than one goal in any game this year, and a big factor in that is junior goalie Justine Segear.

Segear has played every minute of every game so far this season and has made 36 saves. She has a goals against average of .95.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Freshman Karli Nester scored the game winning goal in the teams 2-1 win over Millersville on Sunday. The freshman has played in all four games this season including one start.

Soccer ranked for first time in school history Sit at #8 in latest Northeast Rankings

The Mansfield University women's soccer team reached an historical milestone today when it was ranked #8 in the Northeast Region in the NSCAA/adidas Regional polls.

It marks the first time the program has broken into the regional rankings.

"There is a sense of accomplishment," said Tim Dempsey who has served at the Mountaineers head coach for all six seasons of its existence. "Mansfield competes in a very tough region as well as in the highly competitive PSAC. We're

the smallest school in the conference that plays women's soccer so this is a huge accomplishment for our players."

The team is 2-1-1 on the season, winning its last two games against Kutztown, ranked #10 in the region, and Millersville.

The team hosts Clarion on Wednesday in a PSAC game at the Soccer field at 4 p.m. before hosting the region's #1 ranked team Slippery Rock on Saturday.



The 2006 Mountaineer soccer team

SPORTS INFORMATION

NSCAA/adidas Northeast Regional Poll

1. Slippery Rock University
2. Shippensburg University
3. C.W. Post
4. Edinboro University
5. West Chester University
6. Dowling College
7. Adelphia University
8. Mansfield University
9. Bridgeport University
10. Indiana University of PA & Kutztown University

Flashlight SPORTS

MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY ❖ VOLUME 90, ISSUE 3 ❖ THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2007

Field Hockey beats #4 East Stroudsburg to move to 5-1

By PAT LAHR
Flashlight Sports Writer

3-0 and averaging around three goals a game the Mansfield Field Hockey team continued their winning ways last Wednesday against the Millersville Marauders. The Marauders got on the board first when Kristie Testa scored four minutes into the game. The Mountaineers fought back quickly when Carlyn Spangler knotted the game four minutes later off an assist from Rynne Higgins. Mansfield scored the next three goals of the game: two unassisted tallies by Breanne Tobin and a goal from Keely Jarrett with the assist going to Shana Markwis. Millersville's last goal came off Jaclyn Kutesza's stick late in the second half. By then it was too little too late as the Mountaineers went on to win 4-2.

The score didn't tell the whole story though. The Mountaineers were out shot 18-10 by Millersville. Mansfield's offense worked efficiently and effectively while Brianna Deluca turned in another stellar performance in goal. Deluca was credited with 12 saves in the game. The win put the Mountaineers at 4-0 and gave the Mansfield Field Hockey team their best start in the programs history. They took that record home to face #4 Indiana University (PA) last Saturday.

More than 300 people came out to

support the Mountaineers in their PSAC home opener. A clash of nationally ranked teams will almost always be an epic battle and this one was no exception. The Mountaineers came out in the first half and dominated the pace of the game. Keeping the pressure on IUP's defense and creating multiple chances. Tobin just missed an open shot and IUP's Liz Martini sent a penalty stroke wide left as both teams went into the half scoreless.

The Crimson Hawks flipped the script with some excellent adjustments and controlled the game for most of the second half. The Mansfield defense withstood an offensive onslaught that included eight penalty corners.

"I thought it was some of the best marking we have had defensively all season," Coach Diane Monkiewicz said after the game.

IUP was finally able to score the first, and only, goal of the game with only 1:24 left on the clock. Martini's shot from the top of the circle deflected off a Mansfield defender and found its way past Deluca. The loss was the first of the 2007 season and put the Mountaineers at 4-1 (1-1 PSAC).

"We have to keep focused and continue to take the season one game at a time," Monkiewicz said.

The Mountaineers were definitely focused coming out of the locker room against the

East Stroudsburg Warriors. In the drivers seat for the majority of the game the Mountaineers took the lead when Tobin deflected a drive from Markwis at 22:33. Tobin recorded her second goal of the game at 33:58 giving Mansfield a 2-0 lead at halftime.

"Tobin and I talked for a while after IUP about her slump," Monkiewicz said. "I think this game helped shake that monkey off her back."

The Mountaineers put another goal on the board ten minutes into the second half when Higgins put in an unassisted goal. Up 3-0 Mansfield started to fall back on their heels slightly. Kierstyn DeNardo took advantage of this lapse with an arching lift shot off a penalty corner to put the Warriors on the board 3-1. That would be all the offense ESU would be able to put together though.

With the victory over ESU the Mountaineers brought their record to 5-1 (2-1 PSAC). The Mountaineers go on the road to Shippensburg this Saturday before returning home to face #1 ranked Bloomsburg in two crucial PSAC match ups.

"I don't think we've seen the best of ourselves yet," Monkiewicz told her team after the win.



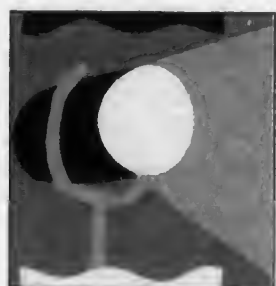
SPORTS INFORMATION
Breanne Tobin led the Mountaineers with two goals against East Stroudsburg. Tobin leads the team in goals with six, and in points with 14.

Coming up in Mountie Sports

Sept. 12 Soccer vs Clarion @4	13	14	15 Field Hockey @ Shippensburg @4 Soccer vs Slippery Rock @1:30 Cross-Country @Wis- consin Parkside	16	17
18	19 Field Hockey vs Bloomsburg @4	20 Soccer @ West Chester	21	22 Field Hockey @ Kutztown @6 Soccer @ IUP @2	23

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2007: An old fashioned homecoming

By REBECCA HAZEN
Flashlight Writer

Mansfield University will be celebrating homecoming on October 5 and 6.

This year is Mansfield's Sesquicentennial Homecoming, celebrating 150 years of the borough of Mansfield and the University together. The theme this year is "An Old Fashioned Homecoming."

Clarence Crisp, director of Student Activities, believes that homecoming is important. It holds a lot of tradition. "It is coming back to something you were a part of. Homecoming takes on a lot of different meanings to different people. It can be a gathering, and it can show love for this place that we have spent time at," Crisp said.

Festivities will kick off Friday with a golf tournament at Corey Creek Golf Club at 8 a.m.

From 4:30 p.m. to 6 p.m. the Hall of Fame Reception and Induction dinner will be taking place. This year's inductees are Tony Budzik '92, for basketball, Ed Merritt '55, for baseball and basketball, Joseph Russell '65, for basketball and Michael Stewart '85, for baseball.

At 9 p.m. the Homecoming King and Queen Coronation will take place in Decker Gym. This is different from last year due to there

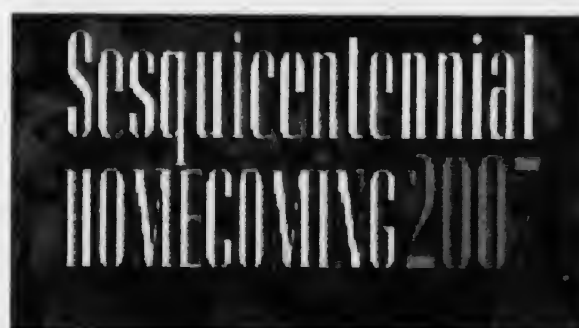


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An old fashioned homecoming will be celebrated this year.

being no football team. Voting for the King and Queen will take place on October 2 and 3 online.

Kelchner Fitness Center, North Hall Library, and the campus bookstore will be open to the public all weekend. Alumni will be able to use the fitness center. Alumni will also receive a 20 percent Homecoming Discount on clothing and Mansfield University logo items.

Saturday at 10 a.m. the homecoming parade will marching down Main Street. The parade will include organizations on campus, the Spirit and the Pride of Pennsylvania marching band, plus other bands from the region that have been invited.

The bands attending are Corning West, the band of the Southern Tioga School District, the Susquehanna Valley Marching Band, and the Wellsboro Middle School Band.

There will be a marching band show at 2 p.m. featuring some of the bands that have been invited, plus a finale performance by The Spirit and The Pride of Pennsylvania.

Dr. Adam F. Brennan, Director of bands and head of the Music Department, thinks this is a great opportunity for Mansfield's marching band. "We hope to start a tradition for this event. We have just a few bands coming this year, but I expect it will grow over time," Brennan said.

There will be different events throughout Saturday honoring Dr. John Heaps. Heaps was a baseball coach at Mansfield for 17 years, and he was a professor for over 30 years. He passed away last May.

Harry Hillson is the head baseball coach of Mansfield University. "He was a tremendous baseball coach, so we want to do something to have his memory live on," Hillson said.

See 'HOMECOMING' pg. 3

Fabulous 1890s weekend kicks off on Friday

By ASHLEE FREDERICK
Special to the Flashlight

Mansfield University and The Greater Mansfield Area Chamber of Commerce will host the 16th annual Fabulous 1890's Weekend September 28 and 29 in Mansfield's Smythe Park and on Main Street.

The event started in 1991 to commemorate the first night football game. The game draws locals, college students and attendees from as far as New Hampshire and Washington D.C.

The two days of the event are filled with family activities including early jazz and ragtime music from Terry Wild and His Wacky Five, a Motorless Parade up Main Street at 11 a.m. Saturday, carnival rides, Clyde Peelings Reptiland, the 3 annual Miss 1890's Pageant and coronation, a recreation of the first night football game, fireworks and more.

Admission is three dollars at the gate and free for Mansfield University students with

ID. About \$25,000 is being spent to put on the weekend, The committee expects, with the proceeds from the weekend, they will break even.

Dennis Miller is co-chair for the Fabulous 1890's Weekend. The event "keeps Mansfield and Mansfield University on the map," Miller said. "For sports buffs and history buffs it is the only place in the world to see a football game played by the 1890's rules."

General Electric lit the first game in 1892 after being in business for only six months. Clothing made for the GE commercial was donated for use in the reenactment in Mansfield each year.

The event draws thousands of people and has received national and international media coverage from MTV, FOX, NBC, CBS, The New York Times and the Associated Press.

Zackary Johnson is a community member who goes to the event each year.

"I like seeing people get together who don't



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The first night football game in Mansfield was so dark that the game was called for unsafe conditions.

usually get together to have a good time," Johnson said.

The Miss 1890's Pageant started three years ago and involves five area schools that each nominate one female senior to compete.

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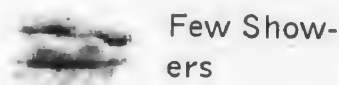
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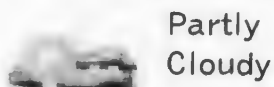
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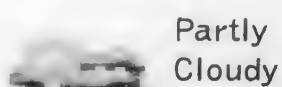
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Info-to-Go

Campus Bulletin Board
♦Mansfield University♦

♦Want to be a drunken sailor? How about a witch? Opera Workshop is looking for dancers for their fall production of "Dido and Aeneas." Dancers with training in ballet or lyrical dance are preferred. If interested contact Rachelle Brisson at brissonr@mounties.mansfield.edu.

♦The third annual Pennsylvania Governor's Conference for Women will be held Thursday, November 8, 2007 in Philadelphia at the Pennsylvania Convention Center. Keynote speakers include Doris Kearns Goodwin, Evelyn Lauder, Indra K. Nooyi, and Judith Rodin. Mansfield University's President's Commission on the Status of Women will provide funding for a limited number of students to attend this conference. Interested students should contact Dr. Shawndra Holderby at sholderb@mansfield.edu or Dan Mason at dmason@mansfield.edu for an application and submitted by October 1, 2007. For more information view the conference website: <http://www.pagovernorsconferenceforwomen.org/>

Police Beat

September 15, 2007 - Underage Drinking

Leanne Generella, 19, Lauren Generella, 19, Brittany Woodward, 18, Amanda Meyer, 18, and Daniel Michel, 20 were charged with underage drinking and referred to residence life. Devin Bailey, 19, Roland Habersack, 24, and Kristen Muncy, 18 were referred to residence life.

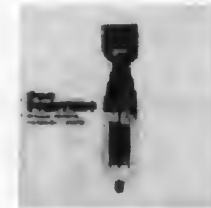
September 15, 2007 - Disorderly Conduct/ Public

Drunkenness Police were dispatched to a fight in progress in Pinecrest on the 4th floor. Police arrived finding Joseph Musser, 25 allegedly screaming at persons in the hallway using vulgarities and threatening harm to himself and others. Musser was arrested by police, charged with Disorderly Conduct and Public Drunkenness and placed in the Tioga County Prison.

Entertainment Corner

Top Singles:

1. Kanye West Stronger
2. Timbaland feat. Keri Hilson The Way I Are
3. Soulja Boy Crank That (Soulja Boy)
4. Fergie Big Girls Dont Cry
5. Pink Who Knew

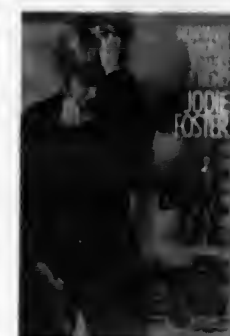
Featured Album:
Foo Fighters

Echoes, Silence, Patience & Grace (Roswell/RCA)

Top Movies:

1. Resident Evil: Extinction R, Milla Jovovich, Oded Fehr
2. Good Luck Chuck R, Dane Cook, Jessica Alba
3. The Brave One R, Jodie Foster, Terrence Howard
4. 3:10 to Yuma R, Russel Crowe, Christian Bale
5. Eastern Promises R, Josef Altin, Mina E. Mina

Featured DVD:

Knocked Up
R, Seth Rogen, Katherine Heigl

Featured Books:

Bridge of Sighs Richard Russo, Fiction
The Age of Turbulence: Adventures In A New World
Alan Greenspan, Nonfiction
Clapton: The Autobiography Eric Clapton

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"Spotlight on Campus"



Student Alumni Ambassadors

The Flashlight introduces the "Spotlight on Campus." "Spotlight on Campus" is a new column to recognize the outstanding work of students, faculty, and staff here at Mansfield. If you know a student, organization or faculty member who deserves to be recognized, e-mail us at flashlit@mansfield.edu.

Student Alumni Ambassadors, SAA, is a service-focused organization that provides a vital connection between alumni and current Mansfield University students. It is a supplemental organization to the Alumni Association and the Office of Alumni Relations.

SAA's participate in a variety of events that help to positively promote the university. Members of SAA can be seen assisting at events across campus from homecoming to commencement and have been very involved in the Sesquicentennial events this past year.

Denise Berg, Director of Alumni Relations and advisor to SAA, truly values what the students have to offer the university.

"A goal of the Alumni Office is to extend a warm welcome to our alumni when they return to campus. Having the Student Alumni Ambassadors on hand to assist alumni in reconnecting with their alma mater and to provide a firsthand view of student life is invaluable," Berg said. "Their friendliness and enthusiasm create a positive and lasting impression for our visitors."

The organization's main goal is to build a relationship between alumni and students so that MU alumni still feel connected to their alma mater and are aware of current campus happenings. Luisa Lucero, SAA president, knows how important that connection is to alumni.

"It is interesting and fun to meet alumni and very rewarding to see how much they enjoy returning to campus," Lucero said.

Participating in SAA helps current students realize the importance of being involved in campus life at Mansfield and to learn about the many benefits of becoming a Mansfield graduate.

It also gives members the opportunity to learn a great deal of Mansfield's history, develop leadership skills and establish a long-lasting connection with the university.

"It is a pleasure to work with the SAA's and see their leadership skills develop," Berg said.

SAA is currently accepting applications for new members. Freshmen, sophomores and juniors with a GPA of 2.8 or higher are eligible for nomination. For more information contact Luisa Lucero lucero@mouties.mansfield.edu or Denise Berg.

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From left to right: Kara Newcomer, Denise Berg (SAA Advisor, Director of Alumni Relations) Rachael Ballard, Nick Griswold, Ali Proof, Jordan Garman, Sarah Bianco, Brittany Serafini, Bobbi Jo Egresitz, Jackie Deblon, Amy Young (SAA VP) Maria Strzepek (GA Advisor) Alyssa Greenwalt, Luisa Lucero (SAA President) Not present: Laura Carden, Amy Frazer, Shantee Proctor, Katie Rose and Ashly Weidner.

Academic advising implements new "speed networking" program

By KARA NEWCOMER

Editor-in-Chief

Mansfield University's Academic Advising Center will hold the third annual Undeclared Majors Fair on Wednesday Oct. 3.

The Undeclared Majors Fair is not only for the 12 percent of Mansfield's students who haven't declared a major. It is also for students who are considering changing majors, adding a dual major or are just curious to see what other departments offer.

Vincent Jenkins, Director of Academic Advising, and Deb Rotella, Assistant Director of Academic Advising, have organized this event for the past two years. This year they decided to try a new approach to get students more active during the fair.

"Speed networking" is modeled after "speed dating." Students will have the opportunity to speak with faculty from every department at Mansfield. The faculty will have an allotted amount of time with the students to tell them about their departments, from what majors are available in that department, jobs from those majors, minors that are offered and the academic requirements. When the time is up, students will move to the next department.

Faculty are not the only one's who will be at the fair. Ms. Julia Overton-Healy from the Career Development Center will be there to discuss FOCUS, an online career exploration test. Mr. William Chabala will be there to get students set up for STRONG Interest Inventory, an online test that helps students find a career that fits them.

"We're trying to let students know what services are available and get them engaged in the depart-

ments," Rotella said. Many students aren't sure what each major entails but Rotella and Jenkins are confident that this method will provide students with all of the information they need.

"Everyone that will be there will be geared toward giving students information to help them make their decisions," Jenkins said.

Students who attend the fair will also have the chance to win over 25 prizes including Mansfield apparel, bags and books.

The undeclared majors fair will feature the new Leadership Minor. Most students don't know the requirements for the Leadership Minor or that the university even offers one.

The Undeclared Majors Fair is not the only service the Academic Advising Center provides for students. Rotella is the Director of CHAMPS Life Skills and the mentor for student athletes. She and Jenkins, also the Coordinator of SUPPORT, are available to students all day, every day for academic counseling. They help students develop study skills, learn how to interact with faculty and stay on the right track.

"We do developmental advising here," Jenkins said. "Everyone is an individual and we gear our advising toward what each student's particular needs are."

The Academic Advising Center also helps undeclared students explore the majors that Mansfield has to offer. According to Jenkins many students come in with a declared major that they're not really sure about.

"Students should understand that it's okay to be undeclared," Jenkins said. "In fact, it's typically better to be undeclared than to be stuck in a major that you're not interested in."



'HOMECOMING'

There will be a memorial service to remember Dr. John Heaps at 12 p.m. in the Oakwood Cemetery. In addition there will be an alumni baseball game held in his honor and a dinner. The alumni baseball game will be held after the intra-squad game at 12:30, and the dinner is at 6 p.m.

At 1 p.m. there will be an alumni tent party on the Memorial Hall lawn. From 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. there will be an old-fashioned fair at Kelchner Fitness Center. There will be games and prizes to win, plus souvenirs to take home.

At 12:30 p.m. there will be a presentation of the newly updated planetarium by Mike Vay-

ansky, the astronomy professor. At 6 p.m. there will be a greek gathering. At 1:30 p.m. there will be a Women's soccer game. They will be playing against West Chester.

At 7 p.m. there will be a Prism Concert at Steadman Theatre. This unique concert features most MU music ensembles, and includes a variety of music that is not interrupted by pause or applause.

At 9 p.m. Jack's Mannequin will be performing in a concert at Decker Gym. Jack's Mannequin is a piano rock band from California, and the lead singer is Andrew McMahon.

A brochure with a listing of all activities and registration information can be found on Mansfield University's website.

'HISTORY'

Deb Bastian, founder of the competition, explained that the nominees write a paper about life in the 1890s, wear an 1890s style dress, and are judged on their "personality and ability to express themselves," Bastian said. She also stressed that "It is not a beauty pageant [but rather] a chance to give high school girls a day to remember and an opportunity to learn about what life was like back then."

Miss 1890s is crowned by the Mansfield University President

and last year's winner, before the football game reenactment starts. Carolyn Fyock is a sophomore at Mansfield. "I like the football game because it was hilarious the way they exaggerated action," Fyock said.

This year The Spirit and Pride of Mansfield University Marching Band will perform during the fireworks which start after the game.

For additional information on the event visit: www.1890sweekend.com

Famous spanish dance makes it's way from Buenos Aires to Mansfield University

By JAMIE CURTIS

Flashlight Writer

The Tami Tango Trio is a music and dance group from Buenos Aires, Argentina that came to Mansfield University Sept. 19 and 20 to host three different events.

The events held were a tango dance class, a performance/lecture and a main concert. These events were hosted as a way to introduce students and faculty to the history of tango and dance music as well as other aspects of Argentinean culture.

The Tami Tango Group consists of three musicians, Eduardo Tami, flute, Federico Perez, piano, Pablo Fauaz, guitar and they are accompanied by dancers Maria Claudia Marciano, and Lucien Gerard Mares.

The group formed in 2002 and have made six CD's. One album, titled Ayer (Yesterday), is based of the Beatles ballad "Yesterday."

The group was originally invited by Music department professor and

flautist Dr. Christine Moulton as part of the *Flute in the Limelight Series*, that was designed "to bring professional flautists from a variety of musical disciplines to Mansfield for concerts, educational presentations, workshops, and lessons."

The tango members were honored to be at Mansfield University. "I am impressed with Christine [Moulton] because it is not often that a flute player works so hard to bring another flute player around," Tami said. "And that means that she is a great artist to have this kind of generosity."

The group taught hundreds of students about tango through various classes, a dance rehearsal, and performances.

Dr. Denise Seigart is the associate professor for the Health Sciences Department and she attended the tango class.

"I have never done tango before. The instructors made it easy. They were able to break it down into small

steps and for me it made it easier to follow," Seigart said. "Everyone was having such a good time and that's how learning should be. You go out and try; you fall down and laugh, have a good time and keep going."

The performance in Straughn Auditorium was a visual interpretation on the historical evolution of tango styles over the years.

According to Moulton, the events proved to be more successful than originally anticipated.

"Everyone who participated in the concerts and the classes were delighted to learn about the music," Moulton said. "The students felt the music."

Moulton hopes to bring more cultural groups to the university in future years. For more information on the Tami Tango Trio go to <http://www.eduardotami.com.ar/ingles.htm>.

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4	5 Homecoming 7:00 p.m. Piano Recital Steadman Theater Dr. Ben Moritz	6 Homecoming 3:30 p.m. Pontiac car giveaway sign up in Kelchner 7:00 p.m. Prism	7 4:00 p.m. Dr. Kenneth Sarch and Yvonne Mitchell Faculty String Recital 7:00 p.m. Dr. Helton guest piano recital	8 4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Employer Day: State Farm in Jazzmans Cafe	9 12:15 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. Free HIV testing call to make an appointment 1:00 p.m. - 1:45 p.m. Career readiness workshop	10 Lecture Series - Dr. Helen Biblehimer Faculty-Student Debate 4 p.m. Room 307 AHSC

Beaty's performance of Emergence-SEE a success

By SHARON THOMAS

Flashlight Writer

Mansfield University students, faculty and community members filled Straughn auditorium on Sept. 18 to listen to Daniel Beaty declare a present day "state of Emergence-SEE."

Beaty opened the one-man play with the famous William Shakespeare line, "To be or not to be, that is the question."

He centered his characters and plot on the subjects of homosexuality, poverty and AIDS. Beaty focused on the topics of drug addiction and the identity crisis amidst members of the African American population.

Hiwot Ketema, junior and Biology major, shared her assessment of Emergence-SEE. "The message of the play was so much more than that of the obvious; slavery and freedom. It touched every aspect of today's societal problems that everyone avoids talking about," Ketema said.

The setting of the play is present-day New York City. A nineteenth century slave ship, Remembrance, inexplicably appears in front of the statue of liberty.

Turmoil arose when the character

Reginald, father of Rodney and Fred, went missing from the apartment. He is later seen aboard Remembrance. As Rodney and Fred ventured out to find their father, controversial issues were brought up by the various characters along the way.

One African American character battled with identity and self concept. "Can a nigga and a nerd coexist?" Through self-reflection, the character enlightened the audience. "Be all of us so all of us can heal," he said.

Beaty's characters penetrated the surface to reveal the inner-most feelings of how they perceived themselves and the world around them. "I just wanna' love someone," said Rodney's brother, who identifies himself as gay.

Ariella Bradley, senior and Business Marketing major, was intrigued by Beaty's portrayal of each of the distinct characters. "He depicted true examples of how black people are portrayed," Bradley said.

Throughout the play, Beaty sung lyrics of old hymns.

The character Reginald could not relieve Rodney and Fred from the strains of freedom until he embraced all of what he is

a descendent of, including his heritage. "How can you save your children if you have not saved yourself?"

Abbigail Glen, sophomore and Human Resource Management major, identified with the plight of some of the characters. "We need to do bigger and better things for our country, for our people," Glen said.

One Jamaican character, whom Beaty enacted, stated similarities between white and black people. "We're all the same on the inside—we all got white bones."

We all have a slave ship in our minds. All we need to do is jump overboard into our souls," Beaty said. "We can change if we change the way we see."

Earlier in the day, a dozen students had the opportunity to meet Beaty in Jazzman's Café. Beaty revealed information about his background in speaking in front of an audience. While in elementary school, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. served as his greatest inspiration. Beaty started out as a motivational speaker.

He revealed that he performed Emergence-SEE over a thousand times. "The plays change...continually evolve. So, the

next time I perform, it may be different than this time," Beaty said.

When asked how often he performs, Beaty shared that he goes on stage ten months out of the year.

"We need to bring him back again. I'd love to see him at a forum," Glen said.



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Daniel Beaty performed a one-man play called Emergence-SEE! He discussed specific topics such as homosexuality, AIDS, among other topics.

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This Week In Politics - National and Foreign News

By CHRISTIAN JOHNSON

Flashlight Writer

Bin Laden declares war against Musharraf

In a new audio tape that was posted by an Islamic website, Osama Bin Laden officially declared war against Pakistan's president Pervez Musharraf. Bin Laden claims Musharraf's siege of the Red Mosque in Islamabad in July made him an infidel. According to Bin Laden, the leader of Pakistan has, "Demonstrated insistence on continuing his loyalty, submissiveness and aid to America against the Muslims." Musharraf, who said he will seek re-election on Oct. 6, has been an U.S ally in the War on Terror. With billions of dollars in U.S military aid, the Pakistan Army has been able to fight pro-Taliban radicals inside its border with Afghanistan. "So Pervez, his ministers, his soldiers and those who help him are all accomplices in spilling the blood of those of the Muslims who have been killed. He helps them knowingly and willingly is an infidel like him," Bin Laden said.



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General David Petraeus was criticized in an ad in the New York Times.

Bush takes on Democrats

President Bush caused a political uproar over comments he made about Democrats on September 20, saying they are fearful of extreme wings of their party. These comments came after he responded to a question about an advertisement that was run by the liberal special interest group Moveon.org. The ad, which appeared in The New York Times, calls General David Petraeus, the Multinational Commander in Iraq General, "General Betray-us" and claims he is "a military man constantly at war with the facts."

"I was disappointed that not more leaders of the Democrat party spoke out strongly against that kind of ad, and that leads me to come to this kind of conclusion: that most Democrats are afraid of irritating a left-wing group like Moveon.org, are more afraid of irritating them than they are of irritating the United States military. That was a sorry deal," Bush said.

On Sunday The New York Times acknowledged the Petraeus ad was sold at a discount rate the organization was not entitled to and that the paper violated its own advertising policies by doing so. In a column published in The New York Times titled, "Betraying its own best interests," Editor Clark Hoyt explained that after examining the Time's policies regarding sale of advertisements he felt there was some wrongdoing. According to Hoyt, Moveon.org purchased the ad at a rate of "\$64.575 when they should have been charged \$142.083.

M.I.T student causes bomb scare

An M.I.T student who walked into Logan International Airport in Boston was arrested at gunpoint on September 21 for wearing what turned out to be a fake bomb. According to State Police Major Scott Pare, Star Simpson, 19, taped a computer circuit board and wiring in view over a black hooded sweatshirt she was wearing. "She said that it was a piece of art and she wanted to stand out on career day. She claims that it was just art, and that she was proud of the art and wanted to display it," Pare said.

Simpson was later charged with disturbing the peace and possessing a hoax device. She pleaded not guilty and was released on \$750 bail. Prosecutor Wayne Margolis had requested \$5,000 bail, saying Simpson showed a total disregard for the situation. During the hearing, Simpson surprised everyone as she showed up smiling and wearing a T-shirt and flip-flops.

Clinton vows to not fund "open-ended" war

Democratic presidential candidate Hillary Clinton said she will no longer vote for any more money to support the War in Iraq without a plan to start bringing troops home. "I don't believe we should continue to vote for funding that has an open-ended commitment that has no pressure on the Iraqi government to make the tough political decisions they have to make, or which really gives an urgency to the Bush administration's diplomatic efforts," Clinton said. Clinton, who originally voted to invade Iraq, recently voted against a \$120 billion war-spending bill. The two-term senator said if she were to be elected president, she would end the war as quickly as possible but would likely have troops stay in Iraq as trainers and to battle Islamic militants loyal to Al Qaeda.



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Hillary Clinton says she will no longer vote for money to support the War in Iraq.

Two women kicked off plane for "sexy" style

By LAURA HALL

Flashlight Writer

Too sexy to fly? It appears to be possible.

For two women, Kyla Ebbert and Setara Qassim, this holds true. Both women, in their early 20s, were flying on Southwest Airlines and were pulled aside by flight attendants and told that they were dressed inappropriately for the flight.

Ebbert was wearing a white tank top, a white mini-skirt, a green summer sweater and high-heeled sandals. Qassim was wearing a halter style dress. Both women complained. Ebbert was allowed back onto the plane after she pulled up her tank top, adjusted her skirt and wrapped a blanket around her legs. Qassim also had to wear a blanket cover during her flight.

"We don't have a problem with it if she's covered up in all the right spots," an agent from Southwest Airlines said. "We don't have a dress code."

Even though Southwest does not have a dress code, it did state that "it could

remove any passenger whose clothing is lewd, obscene or patently offensive to ensure the comfort of children and adults with heightened sensitivities." What they leave out is what exactly they consider lewd, obscene and patently offensive. They also refuse to allow passengers on a plane who are drunk, barefoot, or have complaint-worthy offensive odors.

"We rely on our employees to use common sense, good judgment and good taste," Chris Mainz, a spokesperson from the airline, said.

Some have said that maybe the airline should create a dress-code; while one woman, Lynda White, an etiquette teacher, believes



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Kyla Ebbert was kicked off her flight for wearing this "sexy" outfit.

that everyone should always fly in "business-casual" clothing. Her reasoning is that potential employers could be sitting next to you and not like you or believe you because of the way you look.

Other individuals, such as *Exporter Importer*, a blog site, believe that Southwest is being hypocritical. In 1972 it's 'hostesses' wore hot pants. They even used it as a promotional gimmick in their advertisements which stated, "Remember

what it was like before Southwest Airlines? You didn't have hostesses in hot pants. Remember?" Southwest Airlines released an insincere apology stating, "From a Company

who really loves P.R., touché to you Kyla [Ebbert]! Some have said we've gone from wearing our famous hot pants to having hot flashes at Southwest, but nothing could be further from the truth. As we both know, this story has great legs, but the true issue here is that you are a valued Customer, and you did not get an adequate apology."

"Initially, I just wanted an apology," Ebbert said during a "Today Show" interview. "At this point, just some acknowledgement that they were wrong. That would be better."

"What really tops the whole story off is that Ebbert wore the same outfit on the return flight... [and] a female flight attendant also took note of it," Mike Celizic of "Today" said. "I was complimented by the stewardess," Ebbert said of wearing the same outfit.

Text messaging fad may put English in jeopardy

By MELANIE BOYCE

Special to the Flashlight

Text messaging and instant messaging are popular in today's world. To do it faster, many people use the first letter of words instead of whole phrases. Some just use one letter or one number in place of a word.

Dawn Gagne Fewkes, Instructor in English and Modern Languages at Mansfield has noticed a change in student's writing. Fewkes has been teaching writing for roughly ten years. "It's a higher percentage of students who have spelling issues. It used to be four or five students a class. Now it's about two thirds of the average class. The other change is in the number of errors per paper. It used to be two to three errors on more difficult words. Now it's seven errors or more and they are basic words. I definitely think the younger the person is when they're exposed to nontraditional spelling, the more deeply ingrained that spelling becomes," Fewkes said. "I've seen a change in spelling and slang. My 90 classes will type 'ur' instead of your or 'you're.' My 1112's will sometimes type abbreviations as real words, and much of that comes from text messaging patterns."

New technology is partially responsible for this change. People of all ages are using cell phones and computers to communicate. What does this mean for standard English? "I don't believe that our language will entirely take on text talk, although I'm seeing the likelihood that some of the more common spellings might be adopted as a second spelling like what happened with 'grey' and 'gray' and 'theatre' and 'theater' when there was a shift away from British spellings," Fewkes said.

With technology changing everyday, there will always be a new way of

communicating. New devices that send better and faster messages will be made. Now, it's just a way to write messages, but we've all seen the phone commercials where people are talking in text. This could be the start of a new language or it could just be the "in" trend until something new comes along.



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The "text-language" is appearing in student's writing and creating a buzz of concern among teachers and professors.

"Survivor China" Season Premiere: Fei Long Tribe to dominate?

By MATT POIRIER

Flashlight Writer

Many tuned in on Thursday for yet another installment of the hit Survivor series. Held in China this year, the show started with a Chinese Buddhist ritual, one that survivor Leslie could not sit through due to her religious beliefs. When the ritual completed, the tribes were made. Zhan Hu, or the Fighting Tiger, was made up of very diverse people, from Chicken the farmer to Ashley the wrestler which made camp progress slow. In the Fei Long tribe, or Flying Dragon, it was almost harmonic. Work was done fast, and everyone was getting along quite well. Too well, in fact, for survivor Courtney, who described the scene as being "marooned in a land of flight attendants and Sunday school teachers." Another survivor, Jean Roberts, a professional poker player, called out Todd, sensing in him the true survivor instinct. The move may have weakened Todd, or put Jean Robert's head on the chopping block for the season.

Other than the initial ritual, there wasn't too much different from other seasons yet. The camp site was basic, and included food, in the form of rice. Even most of the characters seemed the same. Peih-Gee played the role the

bossy undesirable leader, Ashley was the complainer, and Jean Robert, the know-it-all. The only one who truly stood out as the character to watch was James, a quiet, strong bodied, gravedigger. He seems to be the only one fit enough to make it, but in the past, these characters usually don't.

"The Art of War," by Sun Tzu was presented to each tribe. The Fei Long tribe used it to elect Aaron the leader, while the Zhan Hu tribe didn't use it, adding to their leadership problems. Chicken, the outdoorsman, gave his first bit of advice, and was ignored and from that point on, he would not give any advice whatsoever. Peih-Gee, sensing the need for a leader, took the position onto herself, much to the dismay of the other survivors. Ashley, after getting sick the first night, became paranoid and obstinate that she would be the first off. The Zhan Hu tribe was weak and leaderless, and failed the first challenge. The first prize was flint and immunity.

Zhan Hu, having to vote off the first member, chose Chicken, making him the first survivor this

year to hear the phrase "The tribe has spoken." He replied, "I heard 'em." Zhan Hu has a lot of work to do, otherwise this season will be a total domination by the Fei Long tribe. Any info can be found on <http://www.cbs.com/primetime/survivor15/>, including full episodes.

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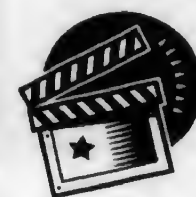


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The next Civil Rights movement

marched through the town of Jena, Louisiana and ended at the high school where this whole controversy began.

Students at campuses all across the country demonstrated at their own universities and wore black in support of the Jena 6.

When the protestors arrived in Jena, most of the town had been deserted. Businesses were closed and most of it's residents stayed indoors.

White residents of Jena believe that their town is being unfairly portrayed. They're saying not everyone is racist and Jena is not the only town that is guilty of racism.

Unfortunately that is the truth. I don't think the town of Jena is being unfairly singled out, if you're familiar with the events that have gone on in this case, I hope that you agree Jena is getting everything it deserves.

However the residents are right when they say it is not the only town guilty of racism. Last week I said I can't believe that things like

this still happen. Which I can't, I think it's because my mind-set is so completely different, but even taking a look around Mansfield you can that racism is still prevalent.

I'm not accusing the school because lets face it, Mansfield University is the only reason that there are any African American's in this area in the first place. I think that the diversity program here is probably the best thing for this town and this area. It forces people who never would have dealt with African Americans in their lives to be face to face with them, or at least within the same vicinity. Whether that changes their minds or not is left to be found out.

I'm not accusing everyone in this area of being racist, but it's hard to miss the confederate flags or the looks that some students get. I've spoken with several of my

friends about the way that they are treated by white people in this area. Even walking around Wal-Mart or the Arnot Mall with them, you notice people looking. It seems like the general population finds it amazing that a white person and a black person could be friends.

I hope that the article "Awakening?" on BET.com is right. I hope this does become the second Civil Rights movement. Even though the strides they made in the 60's are beyond invaluable, there is still so much progress to be made. As we can see first hand in the town of Jena or almost any town in the U.S.

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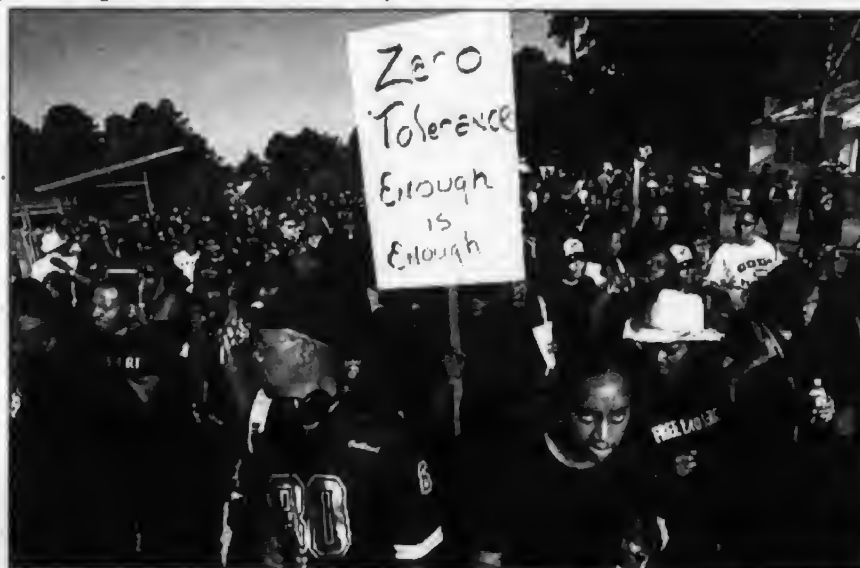


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Organizers say that 50,000 people marched in Jena on Sept. 20.

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Letters to the Editor:

Forgotten students at Sayre and Mansfield campuses

Dear Editor,

I have been a nursing student at the Mansfield University/Guthrie Educational Center in Sayre, Pennsylvania for close to two years now. They have some of the best teachers available and the education is top notch. Not only nursing students are here, we also have students in medical technology, respiratory therapy and radiology. These 100 students have had a moment to talk with President Dr. Maravene Loeschke in the Spring Semester of 2007 with many people voicing concerns related to isolation from the main campus and decreased activities on the Sayre campus. Our concerns were met with sincere interest and solutions to our problems were discussed.

The nagging problem that has been not addressed revolves around our technology facilities. These last two years being on this campus have been plagued with printer problems from our two printers funded by Mansfield University through our technology fees. We have two university computer labs. One is smaller,

about the size of the police station computer lab and the other is about two and a half times larger and both printers have been breaking down since I stepped foot on the campus. Our complaints have fallen on deaf ears and meetings that do not change the fundamental situation. While the main campus gets new computers we are not only stuck with older computers we also have a Information Technology worker from the main campus come to work on his off time to try to fix the computers. These computers run notoriously slow and most likely are filled with viruses, the last time they had maintenance done was in December of 2006. At the time of this letter both our printers are permanently broken and as we have been told by the IT department "they" might never fix them. Now I ask you the reader what type of university in the United States treats their students such as this? Administration should note that we the students do have rights and I for one feel that our rights are being trampled on.

Jared Dowhower

Dear Editor,

What is it to be a senior? It is the final journey of our youthful lives. It is the last days before our final transition into this thing people like to call "real life." Some of us may continue on to graduate school, but for now this is the end of a major crossroad. This Fall Semester of 2007 makes me a third semester senior, a super-senior or simply just really old. By the end of this semester at my graduation I will have completed two bachelor degree programs as well as a minor. What's my point? Each student deserves to be recognized for his or her achievements and not just at their commencement.

Since my freshman year I have been a member of The Spirit and The Pride of Pennsylvania Marching Band. Like many other students in the band, we have now reached our destinations in life and this is our final season. Unfortunately, with the loss of the football team it's now apparent that there isn't a day important enough to recognize our seniors. All my years of band I have watched seniors leave and now that it is my turn,

there seems to be no recognition. Is there a reason we cannot announce them at Homecoming? This would be a chance for proud parents to not only recognize a homecoming court without a football team but also allow senior marching members the ability to receive traditional recognition.

Maybe it just isn't possible. Maybe this years' seniors will have to go unrecognized but with this letter, they will not go unheard. We still perform. We still travel. Now more than ever it seems as if to compensate for the loss of our home games. We still go on and each year another group of accomplished seniors will leave the band.

Why should they be forgotten when the music marches on?

Sincerely,
Heartbroken Super-Senior

College Students,

By BARBARA EHRENREICH,
Barbaraehrenreich.com

Welcome to Fleece U., where our mission is to take feckless teenagers such as yourselves and turn them into full-fledged citizens of our economy, meaning, of course, debtors.

Many life-changing things will happen to you in the next four years. You will make lasting friends, including perhaps the love of your life. You will drink more than you ever thought possible and bitterly regret it in the morning. You will lose your virginity, if you happen to have brought it with you.

Our stellar faculty ardently hopes that along the way you will be amazed by calculus and charmed by the tipsy conversation between Alcibiades and that wily old radical, Socrates. There is also a general expectation that you that you will come out of here with some hazy notion of spelling and grammar.

But never forget that your real purpose here is to shake off the pointless freedom of youth and assume the burden of debt. To this end, we have just raised our tuition in an attempt to keep up with such top-of-the-line institutions as George Washington University (now weighing in at \$39,210 a year, or \$50,000 with room and board). You will find us also charging a plethora of additional fees -- a "student activities fee," a "technology fee," and an "incidentals fee." In addition, we will be experimenting this year with a "snow removal fee," a "lecture hall seat-use fee," and the installation of pay toilets in the dorms.

It would be short-sighted to resent these fees, since they provide valuable experience in bill-reading, and will come in handy when you confront your own personal monthly utility statements. At present we do not charge any additional tuition for this training in bill-reading, though we are considering adding a special "fee fee" in the future.

Another thing that will help ease you into the status of debtor is the price of your textbooks -- about \$120 to \$180 for a new, graffiti-free copy. True, this seems high when you could buy a hardcover of Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows for \$20 or less, but the aim is to teach you that a book is something to treasure (and, again, we charge no extra fee for this lesson.)

On average, you will graduate with a respectable-sized debt of \$20,000, which will enable you to establish your all-important "credit history." If

we have succeeded in our educational mission, you will be a first-rate debtor, capable of making minimum monthly payments much of the time. As fresh offers of credit cards and home equity loans pour in, you will beam with pride at your achievement.

Please note carefully that Fleece U degree cannot guarantee you a future income that will allow you to pay off your debts. Many of our most promising graduates are now, three or four years later, working for \$8-12 an hour serving up lattes, counseling disturbed youth or creating business computer networks. They are set for a lifetime of debt, and we are proud that they first began to accrue it right here, on our lovely mock Oxfordian campus.

We don't have to remind you not to stigmatize debt as a condition associated with poverty. In 2006, for the first time, the average household's debt exceeded its income. By becoming a debtor, you will have entered the American mainstream! We have confidence that you will go on to mature effortlessly from college debt to car loan to mortgage to medical debts occasioned by the ever-growing gaps in coverage.

You will see the value of all this debt when the day comes, as it inevitably will, when you wake up and ask yourself, "Who am I and what am I doing here?" You will be tempted to take long walks, read the Upanishads, or try out for a new career as a trophy spouse.

In a crisis like this, you could easily spend thousands of dollars on life coaching and motivational DVDs. But you won't have to, because you'll have debt to keep you going. You will get up, shower, and toil faithfully in your cubicle year after year until, in the fullness of time, your family acquires the debt for your interment (at which point we trust you will have remembered Fleece U in your will.)

So think of debt as the great motivator. Think of it as our gift to you. Because for at least the next academic year, we are not even thinking of charging for it.

Barbara Ehrenreich is the author of thirteen books, including the New York Times bestseller *Nickel and Dimed*. A frequent contributor to the New York Times, Harpers, and the Progressive, she is a contributing writer to Time magazine. She lives in Florida.

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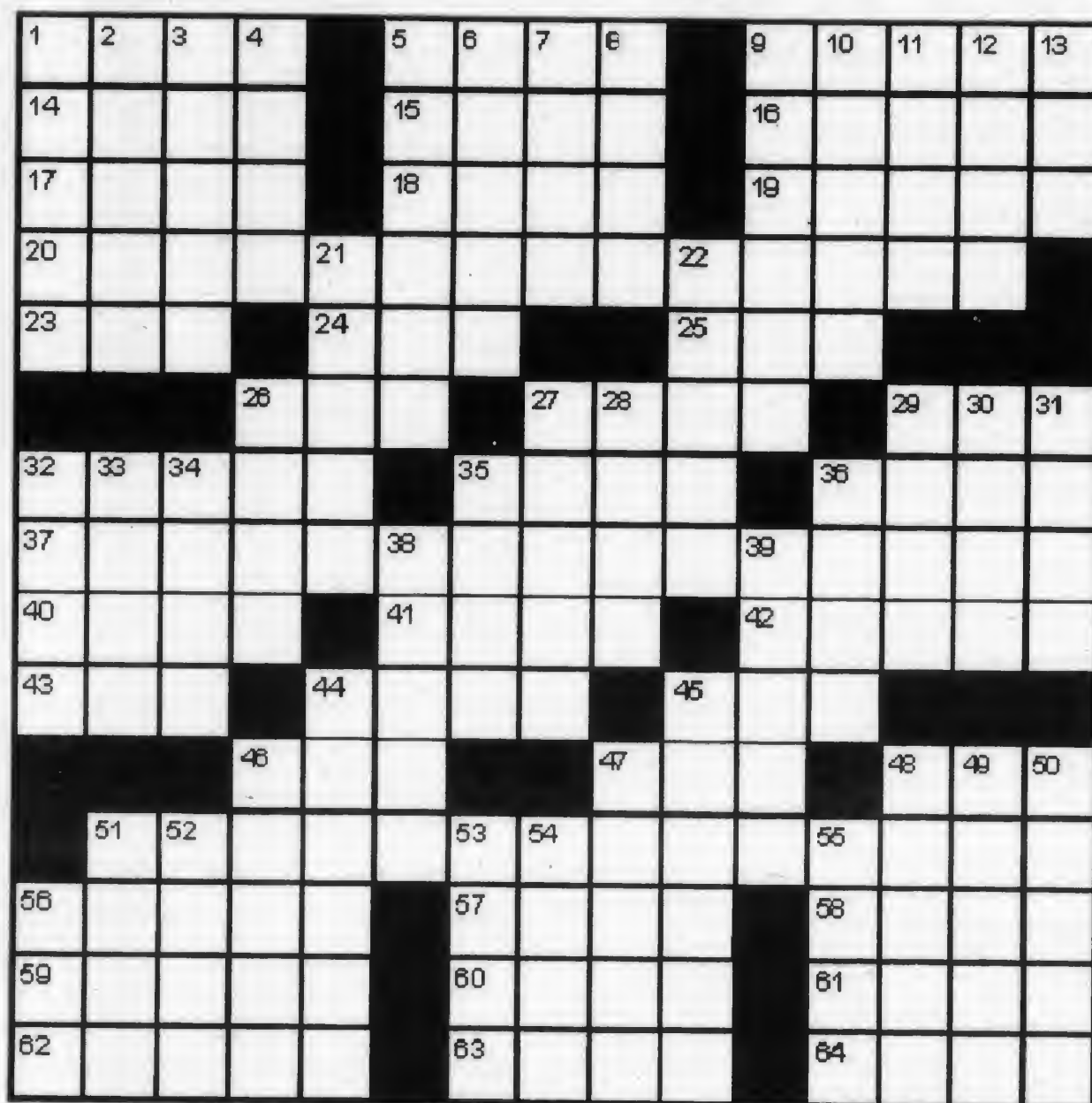


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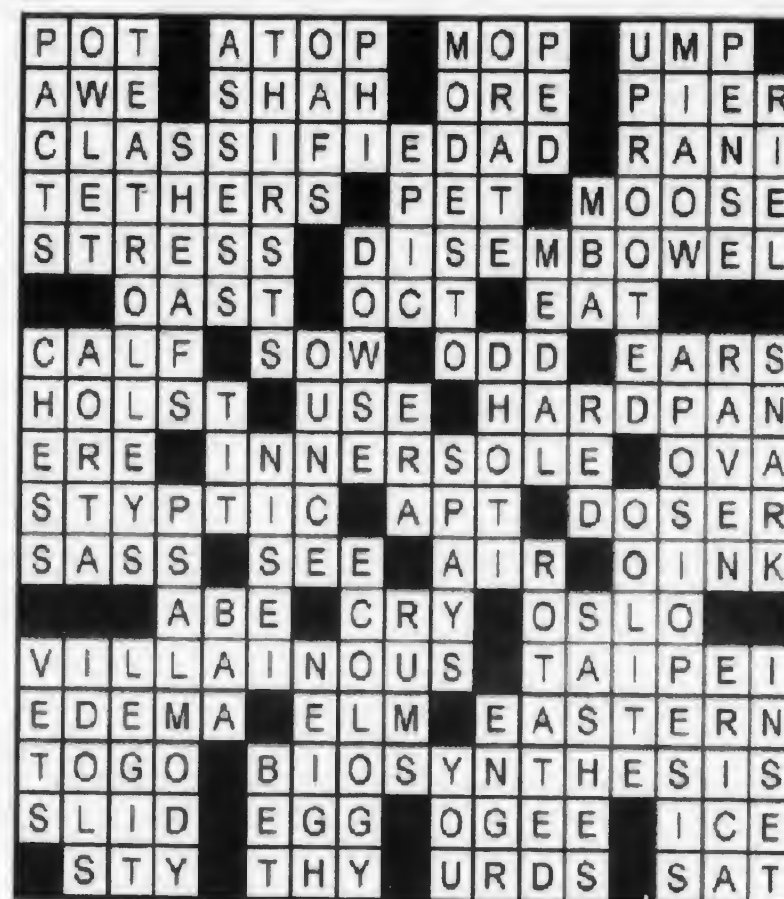
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35. Wipe the furniture

36. Xmas log

38. Donkey Kong hero

39. South American parrot

44. Nevertheless

45. Mammoth era

46. Trophy

47. Like beer in a bar

48. Equine

49. Flashlight reporter Hudock

50. Coil of thread

51. Neck area

52. Fencing sword

53. Fissure

54. Coke nut

55. 365 days, usually

56. Punch sound effect

Across

1. Only
5. Indiana town of song
9. Land or sea follower
14. Stage item
15. Tom Joad, e. g.
16. Cell phone option
17. Needle box
18. Major bear in the sky
19. Got up
20. Repetitive big shoulders town song
23. Mayday alt
24. X in Rome
25. Rent
26. Not his or hers
27. MU footballer Sean
29. Young woman for short
32. Excuse for court
35. Runnian parliament
36. Days of _____
37. Repetitive self descriptive song title
40. Woes

Down

41. Inquires
42. Smart guy
43. Give the Devil his _____
44. Like Allen Hall
45. Bar rocks
46. Cuckoo relative
47. Ont. Coll. of the Arts
48. She's mates
51. Repetitive Big Apple song
56. Fruit in patch way down yonder
57. Small amount
58. The E in HOMES
59. Verdi work
60. Football penalty indicator
61. Computer language acronym
62. Crabgrassful
63. Walkman medium
64. Clancy hero

Down

1. Glasses for short
2. Prefix meaning straight or

correct

3. Mr. Armstrong
4. Heroic tale
5. Professional wrestling eye attacks
6. Ohio rubber center
7. Speedy chip
8. Nah's opposite
9. Dental appliance
10. Diamond measurement
11. Full of anticipation
12. Mexican money
13. Before to Dr. Sornberger
21. Toys location
22. Hip related
26. Wading bird
27. Bloomsburg mascot
28. French friends
29. Medical amount
30. Red Viking
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33. Remarkable person or thing
34. Small piece of land sur-



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On the Sidelines with Keely Jarrett: Senior field hockey player

By NICOLE HAGAN

Flashlight Sports Writer

It's a Wednesday afternoon as I sit on the sidelines, awaiting the start of a big Mansfield University field hockey game against Bloomsburg. I listen to the sports announcer who calls out the starting lineup for the Mansfield Mountaineers. As the name of number 22 Keely Jarrett is announced, four outspoken Mansfield students in front of me assert compliments like "number 22 is really good, I've seen her play before." Even though the senior forward has a reputation for being a quiet individual, the support and the conviction of her fans speaks volumes about her talent and ability.

Keely, a math major from Pennsburg PA, is one of the field hockey team's leading contributors. Since her freshman year, she's started in every game and has a career total of 77 points and counting. As a Mansfield University and PSAC Scholar athlete, she helped lead the team to last year's Division II playoffs. The team, currently ranked #10 in the STX/NFHCA National Division II poll, is looking for a repeat of last years success.

I talked to Diane Monkiewicz, coach of Mansfield's field hockey team, who had a few words to say about Keely.

"Keely is a very steady player who has a knack for playing off the post," Monkiewicz said. "She has a quiet confidence about herself and is a very dedicated individual."

Interested by all this talk about "quiet confidence," I decided to conduct an interview with Keely to find out what achievements she's received by means of her "quiet" ways. Ironically, we ended up having the interview in the library.

Nicole Hagan: So, how long have you been playing field hockey?

Keely Jarrett: I've played field hockey since seventh grade.

NH: Did you play any other sports back in high school or middle school?

KJ: I played basketball, softball, soccer and track, even though I wasn't a big fan of track.

NH: Why did you decide to stick with field hockey then and not basketball, softball, or soccer?

KJ: Well, my Mom coached field hockey and would always push me to play and do better in the sport. She's been a big influence in my life over the years. We're like best friends; we've always been close. So, her encouragement was probably the biggest reason I decided to stick with field hockey.

NH: What was the most difficult experience you had throughout your field hockey career?

KJ: I can't really think of any major difficulties I've had in college. My Mom always taught me to be a very independent person and Diane (Coach Monkiewicz) was always very understanding when it came to schoolwork. The guidance of those two individuals made things a lot easier.

NH: What has been your most rewarding experience through college field hockey?

KJ: I'd have to say that my most rewarding experience was the fact that I was able to contribute to our team making the playoffs last year.

NH: Speaking of making the playoffs and the impressive run the team made last year, do you have any worries about reaching the level of expectation that has been set for the team this season?

KJ: Yeah, there's some pressure, but it's just from the team wanting to do well and excel like we know we can. We have a good team; we should be able to make it to the playoffs again.

NH: Why do you think the team was so successful last year?

KJ: We work well together; we have the same style of play. The forwards work well with the mid-fielders, the mid-fielders work well with the defense, and so on and so forth. Plus, we all have a strong work ethic and are here to win. That, combined with the talent, makes for a good team.

NH: Are there any changes in strategy or areas that you or the team will try to focus on this year?

KJ: I don't think we really need to make any changes. We just need to keep working as a team and I think we'll do fine.

NH: Do you have any personal goals for this season?

KJ: I want to make it to the playoffs again. I'd also like to have an undefeated season.

NH: So, for the aspiring field hockey players, what do you do in the off season to get your ready for the regular season?

KJ: I run and lift. Also, whenever my Mom would come up to visit me, we'd play field hockey together. She's pretty good. I always joke that she should play for a team like Bloomsburg because she technically has two years of eligibility left to play field hockey in college.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Keely Jarrett has helped the Mountaineers to a 5-4 start this season and a number eight ranking in the division two field hockey polls.

NH: What motivates you to play?

KJ: Like I said earlier, Mom is a big source of motivation. Also, I'm a pretty competitive person in life, both academically and athletically. I try to do the best I can in school along with doing well in sports.

NH: What memories will you take with you after your college field hockey career comes to an end?

KJ: One memory would have to be last year's win against we Shippensburg; a team that was supposed to be better than us. Whether they didn't take the game seriously enough or we just out-played them, it was a major success in our eyes. We beat them 3-1; a pretty big win.

NH: What are your plans for after graduation?

KJ: I'd like to teach math to high school students; preferably algebra or calculus.

NH: Is there anybody you'd like to take this time to thank?

KJ: I guess I'd just like to take this opportunity to thank my Mom, someone who always believed in me and pushed me to do well. I'd also like to thank Diane who was one of the best coaches I've ever had. Additionally, I want to thank my team for all the hard work they've contributed. It means a lot.

NH: Well, that about sums up all of the questions I have for you today. Is there anything else you'd like to add?

KJ: (with a smile) I'm not that quiet.

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Track has solid showing in Wisconsin

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Sports Editor

The Mansfield Cross Country team traveled to Wisconsin last Saturday to see how they compared with some of the top competition in the country. The Mountaineers fared well as the men finished the 20 team event in eighth place. The women came in 11th place out of 21 teams.

Of the seven teams that finished ahead of the men, there were two teams that were ranked in the top 25 in division teams in division two, four NAIA teams that were ranked, and division one Marquette.

The men were paced by senior Chris Cummings who came in 16th place with a time of 25:45.

"Chris executed the race plan that we had for him," head coach Mike Rohl said. "He ran the last two miles faster than the first part of the race, he's never done that before and I'm real pleased about that."

The Mountaineers other six runners finished within just two minutes of Cummings. Senior Josh Wooten led that group with a time of 26:15, which was good enough for 27th place.

Dave Sanford finished 32 seconds behind Wooten in 57th place. Freshmen Chris Bogenschutz, Duke Opdyke and John-Mark Stoltz finished just thirteen seconds apart, with all three placing in the top 80.

Rohlwashappywiththepformance of all his runners, particularly the six freshmen.

"Bogenschutz ran a real good race, he improved a lot from the first meet," Rohl said.

"Joe Stanek was hurt a little bit and

Chris and Duke said they would pick it up, and they did."

Freshman Joe Stanek rounded out the Mansfield runners finishing in 92 with a time of 27:38.

"Every runner except for Chris ran a personal best time," Rohl said. "I was very impressed by that because this is a very tough course."

There were 263 runners that finished the race.

Like the guys, all the women ran personal best times.

"The top eight women ran faster than they have on any surface," Rohl said. "That's saying something because the road course is harder to run on than the track."

Brenae Edwards led the women's team with a time of 19:26. She came in 45th place.

"Brenae did a real nice job," Rohl said. "She's a very good runner and will only become better."

Clarissa Correll and Jess Wagner finished 46 and 48 seconds respectively behind Edwards to finish in 99th and 100th. Irene Primmer was close behind with a time of 20:20 and Christyna Cain finished 25 seconds behind Primmer.

"They all train together and pull for each other to perform well," Rohl said. "It's nice to see they get along well and they take care of business."

Senior Sarah Pinkowski ran the five K course in 20:54, which put her in 136th place. Tricia Learn finished just behind Pinkowski with a time of 21:19, which put her in 151st place.

The team will next compete in the Tidewater Invitational at Salisbury University on September 29.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Dave Sanford is one of the three runners on the men's team that has won the athlete of the year. Sanford has finished in fourth place and in 57th place so far this season

How well do you know sports trivia?

Baseball

1. What pitcher gave up home run number 756 to Barry Bonds?
2. Who was the last pitcher to win 30 games in a season? What year did he do it?
3. Who has the most wins in baseball history by a pitcher?
4. Who has the most losses in baseball history by a pitcher?

Football

5. When did the AFL and NFL merge together to become one league?
6. Who won the first ever Heisman trophy and what school did he go to?

7. Where did Steve Spurrier coach the year before he went to South Carolina?

Basketball

8. In 2004, what two teams were involved in a fight that escalated into the stands?

Hockey

9. Who won last years Stanley Cup?

Cycling

10. Who was the first person to be stripped of the Tour de France title due to doping charges?

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A hint to question number two.

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Thursday, 27 - Resume Workshop - 104 Retan - 1 - 2 p.m.

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Monday, 8 - Recruiter Visit from State Farm (corporate) - Coffee Social in Jazzman's - 4 - 6 p.m.

Tuesday, 9 - Workshop on Internships - 105 Retan - 1-2 p.m.

Monday, 22 - Workshop on Internships - 317 Student Center - 4 - 5 p.m.

Tuesday, 23 - Recruiter Visit from State Farm (corporate) - Pizza Party, 301 Student Center - 4 - 5 p.m.

Tuesday, 30 - Recruiter Visit from Scott's ChildCare Center - Retan Lobby - 10 a.m. - Noon

Wednesday, 31- Workshop on Resume Writing /Critique - 301 Student Center - 4 - 5 p.m.



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Soccer hits rough spot, loses four in a row

By CHRIS KINNER

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield women's soccer team has been in a bit of a slump for the past four games which started with a 4-0 loss with number five ranked Slippery Rock. The offense had a rough time getting on track.

"In order to break this losing streak, we need to concentrate on improving two things," head coach Tim Dempsey said. "Our team communication on the field and the consistency of our work rate off the ball. Those two things have lead to less offensive chances during games and caused us to be on defense much more than during our first 4 games."

The only offense for Slippery Rock occurred in a 10 minute flurry in the first half from the 20-30 minute marks. Jaimi Wilson scored on a penalty kick with teammate Danielle Cooper adding a goal just less than two minutes later. Mallory Neubert scored as well while also teammate Meghan McGrath added the final goal of the game.

Freshman goalie Kaitlyn Antolic made five saves and did not allow a goal in her first game of the year.

Next on the road trip was #22 ranked West Chester



SPORTS INFORMATION

Freshman Jackie Karlovich has started all eight games this year on defense for the Mountaineers

where they were edged 1-0 in an offensive struggle. The only goal of the game came from West Chester's Brittany Yetter. Goalie Justine Segear had 5 saves for the Mountaineers.

Last on the schedule came a 5-0 loss to IUP where they managed little offense accompanied by their worst defensive effort of the season. Segear had 11 saves for Mansfield.

"Although we have lost 4 in-a row, we are still right in the mix for a play-off spot,"

Dempsey said. "So if we can correct our communication problems and work harder off the ball, I believe we can challenge for a play-off spot over the last half of the season."

The Mountaineers travel to Lock Haven on Wednesday night before coming home on Saturday September 29 to host Bloomsburg on 1890s weekend at a 1:30 start time.

The Mountaineers enter this week 2-5-1 and still fighting for a spot in the playoffs.

NFL picks of the week

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Field Hockey has tough week, beats Slippery Rock to get back on track

By MAGGIE BARR
Special to the Flashlight

&
ERIC BOHANNON
Sports Editor

Following a tough week where they played three teams ranked in the current top six in the Country, the Mansfield field hockey team took it to winless Slippery Rock yesterday afternoon beating Slippery Rock 4-1.

Ryanne Higgins recorded a hat trick on the day and Kayla Carter scored her first goal of the year and second of her career.

Goalie Hayley Tuckey made the first start of her career and picked up the win making six saves.

The Lady Mountaineers had three tough games last week playing the top two ranked teams in the country, and the sixth ranked team. The Mountaineers lost all three games, but had chances to win all three games.

The week got off to a slow start when Mansfield traveled to the now number 6 ranked Shippensburg Red Raiders. Mansfield started slow, getting behind 2-0 in the first half. The Mountaineers cut the lead in half when Keely Jarrett scored an unassisted goal four minutes into the second half. Shippensburg countered with a goal 30 seconds later and capped off the scoring with a goal with eight minutes to go to make the final score 4-1.

The defending champion Bloomsburg Huskies came to Mansfield on Wednesday September 19. The Mountaineers started strong holding the ball in Bloomsburg's end for the first 10 minutes of the game.

The Mountaineers best chance was when a shot by Ryanne Higgins went off the right post. Bloomsburg responded five minutes later with a goal by Jamie Vanartsdalen to give Bloomsburg a 1-0 lead. The Huskies added another goal less than a minute before halftime to give the Mounties a 2-0 hole. The second half's only offense was on a goal by Vanartsdalen to make the final score 3-0.

On Saturday, September 22, the field hockey team traveled to Kutztown.

Despite two goals for Mansfield from Breanne Tobin and Ryanne Higgins, the Mounties were defeated by the number one ranked, undefeated Golden Bears.

Despite the loss, a shining point for Mansfield can be found that the two goals scored by Mansfield were the most goals Kutztown has given up in all ten games they have played this season.

At the game's halfway point, Kutztown had a 2-0 lead, but that lead was soon cut in half with a goal from Tobin, her seventh of the season. Kutztown answered back with another score, just moments later, Higgins scored cutting Kutztown's lead to just one goal. It was Higgins' fourth goal of the 2007 season.

Mansfield goalie Brianna DeLuca had a busy day as Kutztown fired 26 shots.

DeLuca was credited with 11 saves.

Mansfield hosts Millersville on Saturday at 12 and travels to IUP on Wednesday October 3. The Mountaineers will travel to East Stroudsburg on Saturday to October 6. Mansfield beat the Warriors 3-1 in the previous matchup.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Sophomore Courtney Grunza has started every game so far in her Mansfield career.

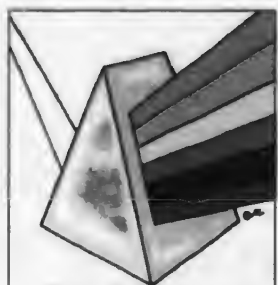
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New leadership director brings fresh outlook to Mansfield

By KAY BARRETT
Flashlight Writer

New addition to the campus community, Dennis Heinle is trying to prove Mansfield University is made for creating leaders.

Heinle began his position as the director of the recently created Leadership Institute on campus on September 17 and he admits he put a lot of effort into getting this position.

"I never really worked as hard to get a position as I did for this one," Heinle said, "I did a lot of research to make sure that my ideas of leadership were similar to President Loeschke's."

Before coming to Mansfield, Heinle was the chief learning officer at Sovereign Bank where he had a nationally known leadership development program.

"President Loeschke wanted to incorporate some of the principles used at Sovereign into the University," Heinle said.

As the new director of the Leadership Institute, Heinle has a number of responsibilities. Pri-

marily, Heinle is supposed to help the University organize the Leadership Institute and its vision. The Institute will work to promote the idea of leadership development as an important element on campus and off campus in the community.

"Leadership development is about personal self-development and personal self-mastery," Heinle said, "I'm trying to build on what is already here and to help the Leadership Program be more effective. The external side is going to be a big part of it."

Externally, Heinle is working with the community outside the University to secure internships and job opportunities in a variety of fields for students, while at the same time promote President Loeschke's idea of leadership as part of the Mansfield University "brand."

Although Heinle has been at the University for less than two weeks, he has been swamped with meetings and projects, but he believes that the people here can make this program effective.

"Every person that I have met so far, which



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Dennis Heinle joins Mansfield University faculty.

is about two dozen people, has made me see that developing a leadership program here is possible," Heinle said.

See 'LEADERSHIP' pg. 4

Alumnus returns to talk to students about World War II and comic books

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Sports Editor

Mansfield University graduate Randy Roberts came back to Mansfield for the second time since he graduated. The author and historian came to talk to history students and to give a lecture on popular culture and sports during World War II.

Roberts, a professor of history at Purdue University, is the author of 13 books, ranging from the Pittsburgh Steelers, John Wayne and boxer Jack Dempsey. After he graduated from Mansfield, Roberts went onto graduate school at Louisiana State University (LSU). LSU is a larger school than Mansfield, but Roberts said he had no problem adjusting.

"I had no problems adjusting anywhere that I lived," Roberts said. "The hardest part was adjusting to the weather. It seems like it is August eight months out of the year."

Roberts recalled having mostly a good experience while at Mansfield.

"There were so many people who were nice and cared about me," Roberts said. "I have no bad memories from my time here."

"I remember having great history teachers, when I came here. I thought I would end up as a coach or something," Roberts said. "I always liked history and I liked the hours that a professor has."

Roberts said his teachers here prepared him well for graduate school.

"I felt more prepared than the other students in my classes," Roberts said. "I was in class with some smart people, but I knew what the professors were talking about and sometimes they didn't understand."

In addition to his already published books, Roberts is working on two books right now.

"The topics that I choose to write about are something that interest me," Roberts said. "I like to work on different things, I don't think I could just stick with one topic, I would get bored. Once I'm done with a topic, I usually don't have an interest in that topic anymore."



PHOTO COURTESY OF TERRY DAY
Mansfield University Alum returns address students in the Traditional Reading Room.

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Weekly
Weather

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FRIDAY

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SATURDAY

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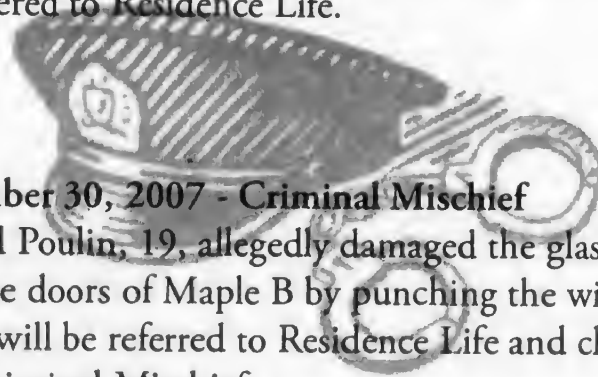
Campus Bulletin Board
♦Mansfield University♦

♦Students interested in transportation to Philadelphia for fall break must sign up by Wednesday, October 3. If we don't have a reasonable number of sign ups by Wednesday, the trip will be cancelled! The bus will leave campus at 5:00 pm on Friday, October 12. Drop off and pick up in Philadelphia is at the corner of Broad and Pattison (near Wachovia Spectrum). The bus will depart Philadelphia for return to campus on Tuesday, October 16 at 1:00 pm. Cost is \$65 roundtrip or \$45 one way. Stop by Room 323 Alumni to sign up or for more information.

Police Beat

September 29, 2007 - Underage Drinking

Richard Poulin, 19 was cited for underage drinking and referred to Residence Life.



September 30, 2007 - Criminal Mischief

Richard Poulin, 19, allegedly damaged the glass of the entrance doors of Maple B by punching the windows. Poulin will be referred to Residence Life and charged with Criminal Mischief.

National media critic visits
Mansfield's campus

By ERIC BOHANNON
Sports Editor
and KARA NEWCOMER
Editor-in-Chief

Media critic and author Jeff Cohen visited Mansfield last Wednesday, September 26 to give a lecture about corporate ownership of the mainstream media and how it affects the news.

Cohen has substantial information regarding network news and how things work behind the scenes having worked at CNN, FOX and MSNBC. Cohen had been a media critic for 20 years before beginning his career at CNN. After several appearances on CNN, Cohen began co-hosting the weekend news show "News Watch" on the FOX News Network. After appearing on the Fox News Network from 1997-2002 he took a position at MSNBC.

"I thought I was getting a better offer," Cohen said. "Ironically I was better off at FOX."

Cohen continually faced issues with executives of these news networks. If he wanted to bring a liberal guest, he was told he needed two conservatives to counteract the liberal. According to Cohen it all leads back to executives not wanting to offend their corporate sponsors.

During debates he constantly had to fight to get his opinion heard and often got into fights with his opponents. Cohen's opinion was not well liked by most of his opponents and once was still being debated by Bill O'Reilly even though Cohen had already left the set and the debate was technically over.

"I didn't realize he was still talking until I got in my cab and called my friend to see how the show went and he told me O'Reilly was still talking," Cohen said. "That just shows you the type of person he is, he is just a bully that always wants to get his way."

Cohen has always been a media critic and most of his views have gotten him completely ousted from national television since his termination from MSNBC.

"I like that they don't like me, I disagreed with them and I thought I argued my points well," Cohen said. "I probably would be scared if they did like me."

He has recently tried to get on several shows to promote his book "Cable News Confidential," but only received two offers. Those offers came from the Jon Stewart show and the Steven Colbert report, but those offers were eventually rescinded.

Cohen expressed that he likes to visit colleges and enjoys talking to college students. "If I could talk to college students every week, I would do it," Cohen said.

Music Department presents annual Prism concert

By REBECCA HAZEN

Flashlight Writer

Mansfield's Music Department put on two performances of the Prism Concert on Friday, Sept. 28 and Saturday, Sept. 29.

The Prism Concert is one of the most popular concerts at Mansfield University. This concert has been an annual event ever since 1996. The Prism concert is a great opportunity where the Music Department gets to feature nearly every student in the program.

Dr. Brennan is the chair of the Music Department and conductor of the Concert Wind Ensemble. He believes that this is a concert that everyone can enjoy.

"The fact that the show moves from one act to the other without interruption or applause and surrounds the audience makes it a unique experience that patrons find appealing," Brennan said. "Lights come up on stage, then in a corner, and then in the aisle, then back to stage, then the back of the hall – it is a musical Prism, with different colors and styles of music enveloping the audience."

There are 23 different ensembles that perform in Prism. The ensembles vary in size and style. These include Orchestra, Choir, Jazz Band, Wind Ensemble, different musical solos, trios, quartets, and quintets, just to name a

few. The Prism concert has something for everyone. Ensembles played everything ranging from tango, jazz and ballads.

Some pieces that were played included Two South American Tangos, Musica Festiva, The Word Was God, I Dream of Jeannie With the Light Brown Hair, Romance, Jubilee and Alleluia! Laudamus Te.

Each ensemble gets to pick what they want to play for Prism. The choice of music is a mixture of student selection and faculty selection. Large groups are limited to six minutes while smaller groups have to three minutes. There are pieces that last as little as 30 seconds and pieces that last up to six and a half minutes.

"The music that is performed is highly enjoyable and that if you heard something you didn't particularly care for, just give it a minute or so (literally) and the style will change," Brennan said.

There will be a third opportunity for people to see the Prism concert on Saturday Oct. 6 at 7:00 p. m. The performance will be held in Steadman Theatre. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults, \$8.00 for seniors, \$5.00 for students and free for Mansfield students with ID.

Stickers simulate possible illness across campus

By JAMIE CURTIS

Flashlight Writer

Dr. Denise Seigart's health class participated in a mock avian flu exercise to learn about epidemiology.

On September 25, students shared their results on the project. The exercise was designed to demonstrate how quickly an airborne flu virus could spread to possibly become an epidemic or a pandemic. An epidemic is an infection of many people in a specific area where the disease is not currently present. A pandemic is an infection of a disease all over the world.

Each student kept a journal detailing the people that they had come in close personal contact with. The journal included where they and the infected people had traveled in the past week. Those who were newly infected were given blue star stickers. The students in the class used over 1,200 stickers.

Seigart has been an associate professor in the Health Sciences department for 11 years as well as the chair of the women's studies program for the past two years. Both Seigart and her class learned through participating in the project "how quickly a virus can be spread and how quickly it can be distributed in a short amount of time," Seigart said.

"New transportation technologies make it more probable for transmission of a potentially deadly virus," Seigart said.

The Bird flu which has killed more than 150 million birds in Asia, Africa and Europe since its discovery in the late 1990's has also spread from birds to humans in a small number; and about half of the bird to human cases were fatal. However the virus

has not found an easy way to mutate itself so it is transferred easily from human to human. The virus has yet to find its way to the United States.

The avian flu is similar in background to the 1918 flu pandemic; which also was believed to have originated from birds. The virus eventually mutated causing one of the most deadly pandemics in history which killed about 50 million people worldwide from 1918-1919. The disease was responsible for more deaths than all of the war fatalities in the twentieth century combined.

Despite the fact that this virus is a serious potential health threat, Seigart's students seemed to react positively to the project.

Catherine Ostrom, one of Seigart's students, mentioned that her brother whom she "infected" is a flight attendant that travels all over the United States. "I had a good time with the project. I learned just how germey things can be and just a simple sneeze can be very dangerous," Ostrom said. "It has opened our eyes to just how serious something like this is and how it can affect an entire population and even the world."

Overall the Avian flu virus in humans is only a small problem right now. "But it is enough of a problem to be worrisome," Seigart said. "Research says that in order to stop transmission of a significantly deadly virus like the Avian Flu, you would need to stop all public gatherings. So, closing public schools, universities, and cancelling all public meetings are some of the first things that should be done once you know it is in the community."

16th annual 1890s weekend was a success

By ASHLEE FREDERICK

Flashlight Writer

The 16th annual 1890s Weekend took place on Sept. 28 and 29 in Smythe Park.

A highlight of the weekend was the Motorless Parade. Ruthanna Jo Williams is a Mansfield University student who attended the parade. She liked the "historical aspects of the parade like the antique bicycles, women's suffrage group and the outfits," Williams said.

The women's suffrage group in the parade was made up of professors and students in the Women's Studies Program at Mansfield University. There were other people in the procession of the parade including the mayor, President Loeschke and many others in period dress.

Ed Roupp, a member of the Sesquicentennial committee, said that it was the "best parade he has ever been in

because there was no smoke from the vehicles and the live music from the marching bands that can be heard all the way down the road," Roupp said.

The purpose of the weekend was the football reenactment. Community member Chester Bailey gathered most of the information and memorabilia for the 1890s Museum Tent, which he helps to run each year.

"My interest started when I began looking over the old newspapers from the Mansfield Advertiser," Bailey said. He and his wife Mary owned the Mansfield Advertiser for 25 years. Bailey found articles of the first football game in 1892 and wrote a letter to the History of the NFL and the National College Football Association.

Mansfield University sophomore Blake Smith, along with others from the track team and the community, played in the reenactment. "It is not every day that I get to be part

of playing in front of a crowd something fun like football," Smith said. "Ball scrambles were fun with everyone diving for the ball."

The group prepared for the reenactment over a two week period. Mary Byers, a visitor from Pittsburgh, has been to the 1890s Weekend the past few years. "To think that they played that without padding; they took their lives into their own hands," Byers said. "I enjoyed the effort they put into staging the game."

During the reenactment of the first night football game the commentator shared bits about what would have happened during different parts of the game. David VanGorder, who is a senior at Mansfield University and attendee of the reenactment "was glad the commentator made it clear why the game was so hap-hazardly played, because of the lack of rules," VanGorder said.

Mansfield professor will travel to China to teach in '08

By REBECCA HAZEN

Flashlight Writer

Dr. Timothy Madigan, a sociology professor at Mansfield University, has been selected for a fellowship to teach in China during summer 2008.

The fellowship is through the Ford Foundation Overseas Young Chinese Forum. The Overseas Young Chinese Forum is "established for overseas young Chinese to exchange their views on social, economic, political and cultural issues concerning China and to develop common aspirations through regular discussions," According to www.oycf.org.

Madigan was one of 14 people selected for this teaching fellowship among a competitive pool of high quality applications.

He will be teaching a class in social stratification at the Central China Normal University which is in the city of Wuhan. "I am going to be presenting a comparative perspective and will be teaching about stratification around the world," Madigan said.

This will not be the first time Madigan has made the voyage to China. He has taught at the University on three other occasions- all for one month in the summer. He was accompanied by three Mansfield students on his last trip.

Madigan has had an interest in China ever since he was an undergraduate student. "I had an interest in seeing what life was like out there," Madigan said.

Some goals Madigan has for this experience include showing what American academics look and think like and learning about the Chinese culture through his stu-

dents.

Madigan thinks this is a great experience inside and outside of the classroom. "After class I get a chance to know some of my students and the faculty better. We play volleyball and go to karaoke places. I get to see their personal sides too," Madigan said.

Various challenges will be placed in front of Madigan during his time in China. He believes that his most difficult challenge will be living in Wuhan itself. "The city that I will be teaching in is known as 'The oven of China'; it is a very large city. I like to see how far I can go by wandering around," Madigan said.

The things that Madigan enjoys most in China are the food and the people. "There are so many delicious unique dishes that make your mouth water, and the hospitality that students and faculty have given to me in the past is great," Madigan said.

Madigan is looking forward to having Mansfield students accompanying him on this trip next summer. He believes it is a great opportunity for them. "The best learning tool is to live for a while in a different culture," Madigan said. "It is fun for them and for me to be at an interchange of cultures and to get the chance to break down stereotypes that Chinese and American people may have of each other."

Madigan welcomes any interested Mansfield University student to accompany him on this trip. For more information contact Madigan at tmadigan@mansfield.edu.

'LEADERSHIP'

As Heinle pointed out, he is just one of the many people on campus working to promote leadership. Jim Harrington, the director of Student Life and Leadership Development, is promoting many projects inside the campus to allow all students: residence life, commuters, and graduate students, to explore different leadership opportunities.

"We're trying to develop students outside the classroom through service to the campus and the community," Harrington said.

Harrington is working with the University to organize a Strategic Planning Committee, which will be made up of administrative representatives and three student representatives. Two of the students will be from residence life and one will be a commuter. The committee will give students a chance to voice their opinions on what are the characteristics that students take away from Mansfield when they graduate.

Harrington is also trying to set up a Commuter Council, which will try to connect commuter students more to the university. Harrington believes that because of outside elements with jobs and families, commuters don't often have a chance to take a leadership role on campus.

'ROBERTS'

One athlete that Roberts most admired was Bobby Orr, a hockey player for the Boston Bruins.

"Peyton Manning is a guy that kind of reminds me of Orr, he's a class act," Roberts said. "I would never do a book on just an athlete, there has to be something else they do that goes along with their athletic status."

An interesting stop in Roberts's time was when he was teaching in Texas. Roberts was approached by the administration to teach a class to prison inmates.

"It was a fun experience, it was an eye opener," Roberts said. "They listened better than my college students, in jail, life is hell and that three hours a week gave them a chance feel like a human." Falling back on his time at Mansfield, Roberts enjoyed his time here.

"My time here was important I don't know where I would be right now if I didn't go here I can't really say," Roberts said. "My biggest thing I did, and I tell this to my daughters and young people, is to find a passion. It doesn't matter what it is, just find something you love to do and go with it."

CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Oct 4	5	6	7	8	9	10
"Faculty's Choice- Student Exhibition" show, N. Hall Gallery	Homecoming 2007 Music: 7:00 p.m. Dr. Ben Moritz, Faculty Piano Recital	Homecoming 2007 12:00-4:00 p.m. Homecoming Fair at Kelchner Fitness Center	Music: 4:00 p.m. Dr. Kenneth Sarch and Yvonne Mitchell, Faculty String Recital	4:00-6:00 p.m. Employer Day: State Farm Corporate Recruiting Coffee Social, Jazzman's Cafe	1:00-1:45 p.m. Career Readiness Workshop: All About Internships, Retan 105	Lecture Series Event: Dr. Helen Biblehimer, Department of Nursing, "Faculty-Student Debate" 4:00 p.m. Alumni Student Center 307
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	MAEOP Annual Silent Auction in Room 307- Alumni Hall Student Center		4:00 p.m. Dr. Kenneth Sarch and Yvonne Mitchell Faculty String Recital 7:00 p.m. Dr. Helton guest piano recital	Fall Break- No Classes	Fall Break- No Classes	

The Tioga County Commissioners have declared October Domestic Violence Awareness Month in Tioga County.

HAVEN of Tioga County would like to invite you to share in the honoring of victims and survivors of domestic violence.

There will be two candlelit vigils held at the beginning of October.

The first one is on October 2nd at 6:30 pm in Knoxville at the Park.

The second will be held on October 3rd at 6:30 pm at the Mansfield Veterans Park.

Awareness is an essential step in eliminating violence on our streets, at our schools, in our homes and in our lives.

For more information, please contact HAVEN at 724-3549 or 1-800-550-0447.

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Fall retreat with Campus Crusade for Christ

By REYA HANSEN

Special to the Flashlight

Campus Crusade for Christ is hosting a Fall Retreat on Oct. 5-7 outside of Williamsport.

Mansfield, Bloomsburg, Penn College, Elizabethtown and Messiah students will be attending this weekend full fellowship.

The cost is \$55 and will cover food, transportation, and lodging. CCC is willing to help if money is a problem.

The retreat begins with icebreakers such as singing, praising and playing games so that all of the students can get comfortable in the environment. There are Bible studies and seminars led by either the students or Sam Shellenberger, the main speaker and the regional director of CCC.

Along with teachings from the Bible there will be a campfire make

smores and down time for sports, games and more.

Jessica Loew is a student leader at CCC. "Retreat spurs students to continue in their walk with God and serves students on campus," Loew said.

CCC is an international Christian ministry whose main goal is to show people how they can know God's love and share it with others, especially throughout college campuses.

Christiana Albon is a freshman member of CCC. "I am excited to get to know people from CCC and to be encouraged further in my faith," Albon said.

If interested attend CCC's meeting Oct. 3, at 8:00 p.m. in 307 Alumni. Just ask for a member of TCB (team of committed believers).

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This week in politics - National and Foreign News

By CHRISTIAN JOHNSON
Flashlight Writer

Senate Takes Measures against Iran

The Senate approved a measure against the Islamic Republic of Iran on September 26 that is meant to send a message to Mahmoud Ahmadinejad's regime that they must stop military tactics that target U.S. forces in Iraq. The nonbinding measure was approved on a 76-22 vote and was sponsored by senators Joe Lieberman, a Democrat from Connecticut, and Jon Kyl, a Republican from Arizona. The measure calls to designate Iran's Revolutionary Guard Corps as a foreign terrorist organization. As a result, these charges allow for more economic sanctions against Iran. U.S. lawmakers have accused the Revolutionary Guard of arming Radical Shiite Militia groups in Iraq, and supplying both roadside bombs and military personnel to kill U.S. soldiers. Opponents of the bill said it could be built upon as being Senate Authorization to use force against Iran. During a presidential debate, Hillary Clinton was criticized for voting in favor of the measure. She defended her vote by saying that labeling the Revolutionary Guard a terrorist organization "gives us the options to be able to impose sanctions on the primary leaders to try to begin to put some teeth into all this talk about dealing with Iran."

Catholics Urge Boycott of Miller Brewing Co.

The Catholic League, the nation's largest Catholic civil rights group, urged a boycott of the Miller Brewing Co. for its sponsorship of a San Francisco street fair. An ad that promoted the fair shows semi-nude men and women wearing bondage who are sitting at a table with sex toys while portraying Leonardo da Vinci's painting, "The Last Supper."



This ad for the Folsom Street Fair in San Francisco enraged the Catholic League. Miller Brewing Co. had their logo pulled to avoid any further controversy.

The Folsom Street Fair organizers promoted the event on their website by saying, "Want to put your cute leather outfit to good use and serve the community at the same time?"

Bill Donahue is president of the Catholic League. "Miller is sponsoring an incredibly outrageous and palpably anti-Christian event," Donohue said. Understanding how offensive the ad may be to many people, Miller Brewing Co. requested its logo to be pulled from the ad according to the New York Sun. Miller spokesperson Julian Green was in charge of public affairs for the issue. "While Miller

has supported Folsom Street fair for several years, we take exception to the poster the organizing committee developed this year. We understand some individuals may find this imagery offensive," Green said.

This controversy comes only days after San Francisco city officials were criticized for barring the Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon from shooting a recruiting advertisement. Stefanie Coyote, the head of the San Francisco Film Commission, would only give the Marine's camera crew permission to film a city street if they didn't have any military personnel in the shot.

Iran makes trip to South America

On Thursday Sept. 27 Mahmoud Ahmadinejad arrived in the South American country of Bolivia to strengthen ties with leaders who consider him a trade partner and counterbalance to United States influence. Evo Morales, Bolivia's president, now joins Hugo Chavez of Venezuela as a strong Iranian ally. Ahmadinejad, who refers to Morales as his "dear brother" said that he believes his trip will result a long, loving relationship between the nations of Bolivia and Iran. Opponents of Evo Morales claim that his relationship with the Iranian president could threaten the region, but the Bolivian government claims the meeting is an attempt to build commercial ties. Bolivian Vice President, Alvaro Garcia protected the visit, saying "Bolivia is forging diplomatic relations with Iran to improve the country's economic situation, not to hurt or offend anyone."

ENTERTAINMENT CORNER

Modern Rock Singles

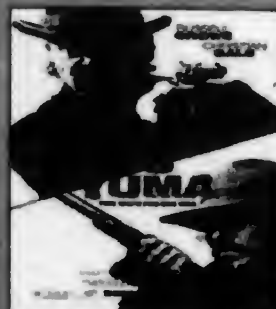
- 1.) **Foo Fighters** The Pretender
- 2.) **Linkin Park** Bleed It Out
- 3.) **Three Days Grace** Never Too Late
- 4.) **Finger Eleven** Paralyzer
- 5.) **Paramore** Misery Business



Featured Album:
The Arcade Fire
Neon Bible (Rough Trade/Merge)

Movies:

- 1.) **The Game Plan**, PG, The Rock, Madison Pettis
- 2.) **The Kingdom**, R, Jamie Foxx, Chris Cooper
- 3.) **Resident Evil: Extinction**, R, Milla Jovovich, Oded Fehr
- 4.) **Good Luck Chuck**, R, Dane Cook, Jessica Alba
- 5.) **3:10 to Yuma**, R, Russel Crowe, Christian Bale



Featured DVD:
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PG, Jessica Alba, Chris Evans



Featured Book:
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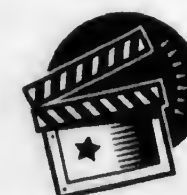
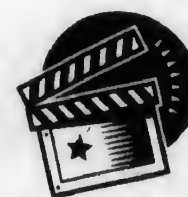


The Game Plan (PG)

3:10 to Yuma (R)

The Heartbreak Kid(R)

The Seeker: The Dark Is Rising
(PG)



New Radiohead album set for online release

By MIKE LENGEL
Features Editor

It's been a long, four year wait for Radiohead fans, but October 1 marked the official announcement of the band's seventh studio album, *In Rainbows*. The band stuck to their familiar, mysterious persona, announcing the release on their blog, "Dead Air Space," saying simply "Well, the new album is finished and it's coming out in 10 days. We've called it *In Rainbows*." Perhaps the most surprising news is that the band has decided to release the album online as a download on their website, www.radiohead.com, first, and will allow buyers to pay whatever they want or even nothing if they choose.

There will be a special edition box set scheduled to hit stores December 7. Included in it will be the album on a CD and two 12" heavyweight vinyl records with artwork and lyric booklets. The discbox will include a bonus Enhanced CD which contains eight bonus tracks, as well as digital photos and artwork. The overall box set will be packaged in a hardcover book and slipcase.

Thom Yorke, the band's lead singer and songwriter, has called the album "similar to *OK Computer* in a way. It's much more terrifying." The band isn't signed to a record label since Yorke's solo ventures last year, but the surprise announcement of the album on the band's blog broke rumors of a break up. The songs appearing on the new album have appeared on set lists for a while now and include pieces from around the *OK Computer* era like "Nude," and "Last Flowers (Till Hospital)."

Constant with the evolution of Radiohead's music, it appeared the new studio album would have a very

electronic feel and political message, but Yorke's comments have proved it to be the opposite. "It's about that anonymous fear thing, sitting in traffic, thinking, 'I'm sure I'm supposed to be doing something else,'" Yorke said in an interview with NME. A track by track breakdown of the new album, along with live footage of performances of the new songs can be viewed on Rollingstone.com.

Radiohead chose to make a few differences for the new album, including letting go of their long time co-producer Nigel Godrich, and working now with Mark "Spike" Stent, who's experience ranges from Depeche Mode to Britney Spears to U2 to Dave Matthews Band. The band played numerous concerts and festivals ranging from theaters and clubs to larger events like Bonnaroo, a Tennessee concert in June 2006, where they played a 28 song set, the longest they've played in years.



GOOGLE IMAGES
Yorke says the songwriting for Radiohead's new album is "more terrifying" than anything they've ever done.

ENVIRONMENTAL TIPS OF THE WEEK:

1. Keep your own recycling bag in your room. When it is full, throw it in the recycling bins.
2. Re-use your printer paper.

Career Center Fall 2007 events...

November:

Thursday, 1: Graduate School Expo. Meet reps from 15 universities. 11-1:30, 307 Student Center.

Friday, 2: Recruiter Visit from PriceChopper, Inc. (corporate). 11-1, Elliot lobby.

Monday, 5: Workshop on Smart Job Searching. 4-5, 301 Student Center.

Thursday, 8: Health Care Job Fair, 4-6:30 on the Sayre campus. Free transportation!

Wednesday, 14: Recruiter Visit from PA Civil Service Commission. 11 to noon, Lower Manser.

Thursday, 15: Recruiter Visit from A-Plus Behavioral Health, 10 to 3, 106 Pinecrest.

Thursday, 29: Recruiter Visit from KidsPeace, 11-1:30, Lower Manser; Workshop on Smart Job Searching. 1-2, 104 Retan.

For information: call the Career Center at 662-4133 or visit our website at web.mansfield.edu/career.

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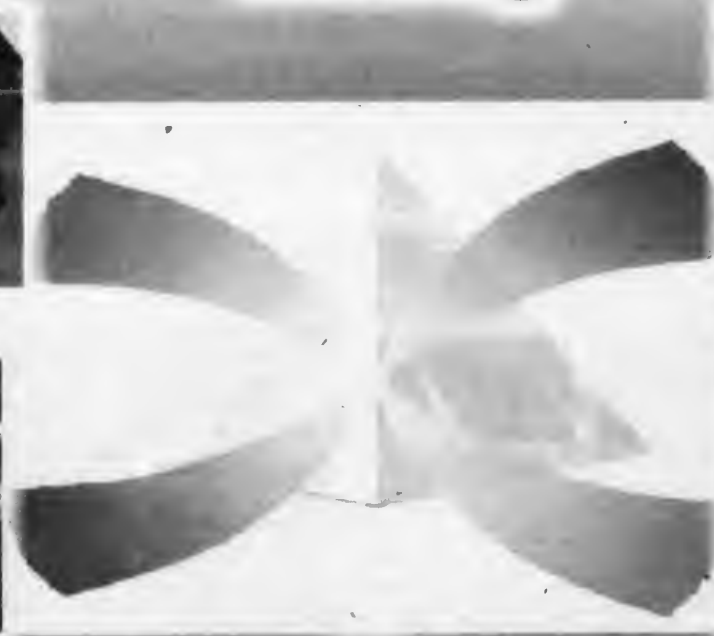
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5.) "Oh, That Famous Fist-Pump"

Gibson, with two bad knees, courageously steps up to bat. Nearly falling over with his first two swings, he connects (one handed!) and sends Dennis Eckersely's fastball over the right field seats to win Game 1 of the 1988 World Series. Gotta love that face Eckersely makes when he sees the ball fly over his head!

4.) "Over the Shoulder at the Polo Grounds"

Vic Wertz's 450 foot smash was reeled in like a wide receiver by Mays, who then turned and threw off balance to save the go-ahead run from scoring. Seriously, the Polo Grounds were huge, it was like, 475 feet to center field, and Mays caught up to that somehow.

3.) "Wave It Fair, Fisk!"

Arguably the defining moment of Carlton Fisk's career, every little boy imitates that enduring image of him jumping and waving his arms in a frenzy to keep the ball fair. The ball hit the foul pole and forced a Game 7 of the series. The Reds ended up winning, but man, this is just awesome to see.

2.) "The Braves of '95!"

As a Braves fan, I've never seen a prouder moment. Watching Marquis Grissom's glove close around that fly ball to end the series in Game 6 was arguably one of the best moments of my life. Tom Glavine pitched an 8 inning one hitter and David Justice, who was doing AWFUL for the previous five games, hit the tie-breaking shot in the 6th inning.

1.) "The Biggest Chokes in Baseball History: the 2004 Yankees!"

Nothing makes a Yankee-hater happier than to think of this series. It was called impossible, but the Red Sox came back from a 3 games to 0 deficit to beat the Yankees in 7 games. The series brought us the heroics of David Ortiz, the cheater baserunning by Alex Rodriguez, and the pre-traitor Johnny Damon's game sealing grand slam. Nothing like rubbing it in a Yankee's fan's face!



Playoff Moments (Lengel and E-bo)

By MIKE LENGEL and ERIC BOHANNON

Flashlight Features and Sports Editors



5.) "Morris Goes the Distance"

Jack Morris pitches all 10 innings in the Twins 1-0 extra inning game over the Atlanta Braves in the 1991 World Series.

4.) "Misplay by Buckner lets Mets Win the Series"

A weak ground ball to Red Sox first baseman Bill Buckner goes between his legs and the Mets score the winning run and go on to win game seven and the 1986 World Series.

3.) "Fisk Waves Fair"

In game six of the 1975 World Series, Boston Red Sox catcher Carlton Fisk famously waved his ball fair for a game winning walk off home run in the bottom of the twelfth inning. The Reds went on to win game seven, though.

2.) "Carter Goes Crazy"

Blue Jay outfielder Joe Carter homered off Phillies closer Mitch "Wild Thing" Williams to win game six and the 1993 World Series.

1.) "'The Giants Win the Pennant! The Giants Win the Pennant!'"

The Giants were trailing 4-1 going into the ninth. They rallied to win the 1951 World Series 5-4 on Bobby Thomson's famous "shot heard round the world". The Giants trailed the Dodgers by 13 1/2 games in mid August before winning 37 of their last 44 games. The career .270 hitter became famous after this hit.



Opinion & Editorial

"from the editor's desk"



Still celebrating, but is it the real thing?

versity is trying. There are a lot of other activities to participate in like the fair at Kelchner and the concert on Saturday night.

Oh, and the pep rally on Friday night up at Decker.

Most students that I have talked to have absolutely no clue that there's a pep rally on Friday. That's also where the King and Queen are going to be crowned.

There always has been a pep rally on Friday night, but as far as I can remember it's been in South Hall Mall, which many more students are likely to go to than Decker. Also the crowning has always taken place at the football game on Saturday afternoon. Well with no football where should it happen?

I feel like it should be at the soccer game on Saturday afternoon. I think it would be nice, just to keep with the tradition of crowning at an athletic event.

I understand that this year is all about experimenting and trying

new things, but I'm traditional, I usually like things to stay the same.

Speaking of things staying the same, The Hut isn't going to open this weekend. Again, as far as I can remember the Hut has been open on Homecoming weekends. Hopefully the request that some students have made to have it open on Friday night, will be heard. I think it's a shame to close something that so many students enjoy during Homecoming weekend.

Another tradition that seems to have been cancelled is the BSU Fashion Show. When I was coming to Mansfield for my orientation I heard about the BSU Fashion Show and what a big event it was. It's always been during Homecoming and I wish that it was happening this year.

There have been a lot of changes to the way that Homecoming is being run this year, mainly due to the lack of football. Some people that may never have experienced a Homecoming in past years will probably have a lot of fun, and I probably will too, but I'll also be missing the traditions that over the years I have come to associate with Homecoming weekend.

What do you think about Mansfield's new Homecoming?

Agree or Disagree?

E-mail me at
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As everyone knows, this weekend is Mansfield's Homecoming. This year's theme "An Old Fashioned Homecoming," goes great with the Sesquicentennial Celebration that's going on this year.

It would also go great with Mansfield's tradition of celebrating our history with football.

However, we can't, because we don't have a football team this year. I know it's old news and the President is doing all she can to bring football back, but without it Homecoming just isn't the same.

I appreciate the fact the Uni-

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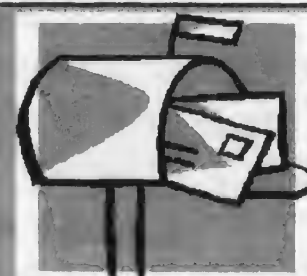
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Letters TO THE Editor

Response to the "Forgotten students at Sayre and Mansfield Campuses"

I'm the IT worker that services those computers in...some off and some on hours. The main reason that I service those PCs is due to the fact that I live in the Valley and am physically closest to the facility.

The bottom line is in the last several years "our" RPH technology has gone from a single 4 unit non networked lab (when I started in 1998) to a networked 8 unit lab with laser printer, 14 unit lab with a laser printer, 5 classroom cart systems and several faculty machines to support...and growing! By the way ALL of this equipment is within the same specs as main campus...

The printer failure and misuse is another issue. I have found everything from construction paper to spiral bound notebook paper in these printers. I have found a broken pen where someone tried to remove the jam themselves. I have also found on numerous occasions RPH staff using our equipment. So I can't place the blame on OUR students when I see this type of misuse! And....I can't imagine anyone from IT saying that "they might never fix them"....

I know that MU and RPH are in talks now as to solutions. I also have been asked for some reports on equipment and replacements etc....So complaints have NOT fallen on deaf ears.

Also...They have Centurion technologies security as we do on this campus so I assure you, that upon a reboot, there is no chance of a virus. AND maintenance was last done May 07 at the end of spring semester.

Alexander L. Miller
CLIENT SERVICES COORDINATOR

Involvement on campus is key

Mansfield University has the reputation for being a "suitcase college." Students that attend this university typically go home, travel to large cities such as New York or Philadelphia, or sit in their dorm rooms alone once the weekend approaches. Freshmen may feel overwhelmed being away from home and upperclassmen are blind to the options they have. The solution to a students' lack of participation is for them to take advantage of the opportunities that this university has to offer. Join a campus organization, club or group. There are many campus organizations available at this university who are pleased to accept new members.

Whether a student is searching for professional guidance or personal exploration the possibilities are endless. Any interests can be explored for example: social or academic fraternities or sororities, religious groups and study-related organizations like the Biology club or the Flashlight. Students can find plenty of information about on campus organizations. Information can be found either on the Mansfield University homepage, on flyers placed around campus or by a student attending the Organizational Fair, normally held within the first few weeks of classes. My freshmen year here at Mansfield, I had no clue what organization I wanted to join. After attending the Organizational Fair, I knew exactly which direction I wanted to head. Mansfield's small campus can also benefit a search for the perfect organization.

Due to this campus being small

there is a high probability that a student will encounter another student with that same interest. Once a student has found the correct organization to join becoming involved within that organization is easy and fulfilling. The first night that I met the sisters of Alpha Sigma Alpha, I knew that joining a sorority was what I wanted to do. A club gives any Mansfield student the chance to meet new people, gain access to valuable resources and the possibility to build lifetime networks, the benefits of joining are two fold. Being a member of Alpha Sigma Alpha has given me that chance; to not only develop as a person but to participate in my college experience.

An organization is able to expand if their members are on campus on the weekends. Giving organizations the opportunity to gain exposure and their members to grow as individuals. Fundraisers, concerts, and special events can be sponsored by campus organizations throughout the weekend in order to attract students. Over time these events will increase the amount of Mansfield students remaining in or around the campus on weekends. Eliminating the "suitcase college" reputation will help the moral of the students, therefore increasing the attractiveness of Mansfield University to incoming freshmen. Join a campus organization and revive this campus.

Nicole Thomas

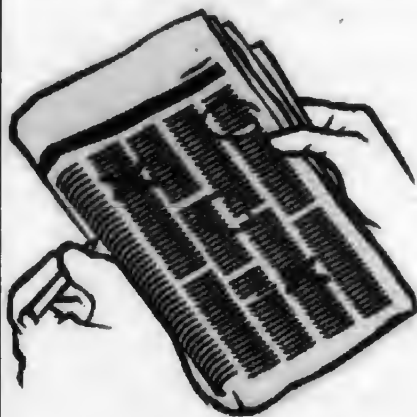


IN THE NEWS

By KIMBERLEE BLOCKER

Mychal Bell, one of the "Jena 6" teens who was held in jail for the beating of a fellow white classmate, was released September 28th on a \$45,000 bail. The 17-year-old's release was ordered after the District Attorney Reed Walters, who has been accused of being a racist by his ways of handling the case, decided that Bell no longer be tried as an adult, but as a juvenile. "There's only one person who could have brought me though this and that's the good lord," Bell had told reporters after he walked freely out of the court encircled by his family and civil activists, such as the Reverend Al Sharpton. The trial is far from over though. Bell, whose hearing is arranged for this coming Tuesday, is still facing the charges of conspiracy and second degree battery in juvenile court. There, he will no longer face the charges of up to 15 years in prison if he is found guilty. The Rev. Al Sharpton spoke about Bell's release stating, "We still have mountains to climb" said Sharpton, "but at least this is closer to an even playing field. He goes home because a lot of people left their home and stood up for him." Sharpton, who had helped organized last weeks protest, attracted more than 20,000 protestors in the small town of Jena which is home to the population of only 3,000. The entire ordeal began after nooses were hung from a tree that black students had sat under, where white students were known to sit. Should the charges against Bell be dropped? What do you think?

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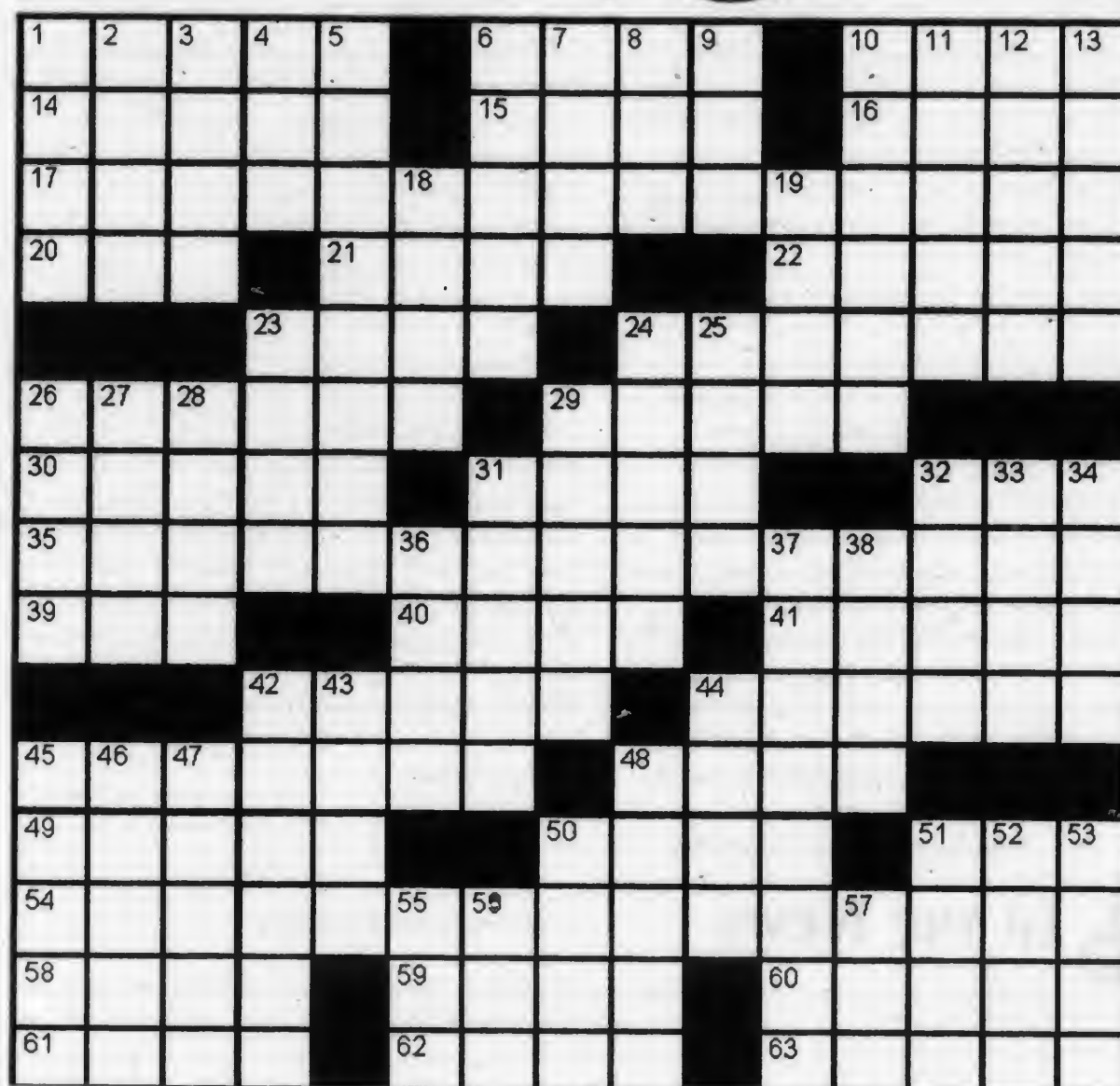
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Across

1. Concluding passages in music
6. "_____ Misbehavin"
10. Pouches
14. Turn away
15. Land with peat bogs
16. Russian mountain range
17. Where Amelia Earheart is said to have disappeared
20. Students in their last year of school
21. Civil Rights activist Parks
22. Collapse
23. Selves
24. Silliest
26. Most pink
29. Smallest amount
30. Preface
31. Submerge
32. Baseball need
35. Song from Disney's The Jungle Book

Down

39. Very fast airplane (abbr.)
40. First-class
41. Hooded snake
42. Nuisances
44. Device that responds to a stimulus
45. Bets
48. Foot cover
49. Notions
50. Cowboy boot accessory
51. Meadow
54. 1993 Bridget Fonda movie
58. Sea eagle
59. Greatly valued
60. Emmy or Tony
61. Relax
62. Rim
63. Pale, brown colored hair

Down

1. Taxis
2. Above
3. German articles

4. Type of wrestling
5. Caviar fish
6. Accumulate
7. Ninth Greek letter
8. Neither's partner
9. Three prefix
10. Illuminated
11. Dispute
12. Composes
13. Hibernated
18. Portal
19. Causes if Cleopatra's demise
23. Economic analysis for a project (abbr.)
24. Thick
25. Acorn trees
26. Curved bones
27. Cardinal numbers
28. Numerical datum, for short
29. Payments for a debt
31. Gael

32. Baby accessories
33. Dynamic or Postale preceder
34. Russian emporer
36. Not difficult
37. Cone filler
38. Honky's partner
42. Mars, for example
43. Where the sun rises
44. Tart
45. The Pied _____
46. Idolize
47. Straps used to control horses
48. Reproductive organism produced by fungi
50. Catch quickly
51. Hawaiian feast
52. Goofs
53. Warhol or Griffith
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On the Sidelines with Caroline Furmato: Expect the Unexpected

By NICOLE HAGAN

Flashlight Sportswriter

Mansfield's Women's Soccer Team has adopted the motto "expect the unexpected" after finishing 7th in last year's PSAC standings. The six year old soccer program is still fresh in the eyes of other well-established soccer schools who've achieved top PSAC ranking. But tell that to forward, offensive player, Caroline Furmato, and she'll express a story of progress and hard work rather than one of impossibility. Caroline spent the last four years of her college career helping bring the women's soccer program to competitive status.

"No one expects anything from the program," Furmato said. "That negativity only motivates us to prove them wrong though. Everything we do is going to surprise people this season."

The senior business administration major from Point Pleasant, NJ doesn't let the criticism of the new program deter her from the team's goal of making it to the playoffs. Last season she finished fourth in the team in scoring and continues to help the team with one assist so far this season. When I interviewed her, it was clear that her head was in a positive, competitive, goal-oriented place. While she may not be a starter, she's part of the supportive foundation that pushes the team forward and over the obstacle of its unpretentious beginnings.

When interviewing Caroline in Jazzman's Café, the only thing that seemed to be louder than noisy students ordering cappuccinos was Caroline's enthusiasm for the game.

Nicole Hagan: Are you in the starting lineup this year?

Caroline Furmato: I've been starting in some games, but not every game... same as last year. We have two really good offensive PSAC athletes though who normally start.

NH: What are some of your personal goals or some of the team's goals for this season?

CF: My personal goals consist of things like scoring more often and just doing things that will benefit the team. Two team goals of ours include making it to the playoffs and becoming better with our communication on the field.

NH: How do you think you're doing as a team so far this season?

CF: We've had our ups and downs but I think we're at a good place right now. All we can do is get better. I see good things for our team.

NH: How long have you been playing soccer?

CF: I've been playing soccer for about sixteen years.

NH: I heard you also played softball, track, and basketball back in high school. Why soccer and not any of those other sports?

CF: I've always seen soccer as more challenging. You have to be able to work really well with a team. Plus, being on a team pushes me to play better. So, the combination of those things is why I decided to stick with soccer.

NH: What has been your most rewarding experience in college soccer?

CF: My freshman year, the soccer program was only three years old and we hadn't been winning many games. There was actually a point where we were on a nine game losing streak and my teammates were starting to get down on themselves. But then, the next game, I scored a goal, our first goal in

a long while, and just like that, everyone cheered up and realized it wasn't so hopeless. That was one of the most rewarding moments I can remember; being able to bring the team back into a competitive state of mind.

NH: What's been your most difficult task through college soccer?

CF: One difficulty was my freshman year when I had to get used to the new team here at college. After you've been playing with a certain team for four years, it's hard to start all over again and adapt to a new one. In addition to that difficulty, let me just explain that we have a very young soccer program here at Mansfield. We basically had to start from scratch and rebuild it, which was hard to do when only half the team was skilled and the other half wasn't when we began. But we've been working really hard to make something out of the program.

NH: How do you think the team has progressed throughout your four years of playing soccer here at Mansfield?

CF: We've come a long way since I first began playing soccer here. For example, we used to play West Chester and walk off the field losing 30-2. However, we dominated them when we played them this season. Yes, we lost 1-0, but we kept up with them and played at the same level as them, which is a big change. We can now compete with teams that are well established. We don't have a lot of back up on the team or alumni to lead... it's just us. For just being us, we've come a long way.

NH: What do you do and what does the team do in the off-season to get prepared for the regular season?

CF: The team practices four times a week just about all year round. We never really get a break except for a few weeks after the season ends. Individually, we all work out on our own, lifting weights and running. Personally, I'm involved with this summer soccer league with some kids from my high school. You just always got to keep playing.

NH: What motivates you to play soccer?

CF: My teammates are my friends and I don't want to leave them hanging. We're all really close on the team. I consider them family. They're probably my biggest motivation.

NH: Are there any changes in individual or team strategy for this year?

CF: We're just working on trying to be an overall good team. We want to be equally good on both offense and defense.

NH: What are your plans for after graduation?

CF: I want to go to grad school. I was thinking of Gonzaga in Washington State. I love to snowboard too so that would fit me well.

NH: What memories or personal achievement will you take with you after you leave Mansfield University and the sport of soccer?



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Caroline Furmato has been a big asset to the soccer team the past four years. Furmato has five career goals and three assists. She has one assist so far this season for the Mountaineers.

CF: Probably the biggest thing I'll take with me is the discipline. There are times when you don't want to do something, but the love for the game pulls you through and pushes you forward. The sport gave me the discipline to never give up so that I know I'll be able to stick with something, even through hard times.

NH: Is there anything else you'd like to add?

CF: Yeah, I want to give a shout out to my friend Amy Dominick who used to play at Mansfield. It's different not playing with her anymore.... Hey Amy, what's up? (She laughs)

NH: Anything else? (I ask after I stop laughing)

CF: Well, our team motto is "expect the unexpected." Beginning the season, we were ranked 7th in the PSAC, which is a slap in the face. We didn't end last year's season in last place. It just goes to show how no one has respect for our new program. No one expects anything from us. But this year already, we beat Kutztown, a big rival of ours. I just wanted to say that everything we do is going to surprise people this season... expect the unexpected.

Cummings wins race, men finish second while women finish sixth

By SHANE CHAPMAN
Special to the Flashlight

The Mansfield Men's and Women's Cross Country Teams each put up strong performances last Saturday at the Don Cathcart Invitational in Salisbury, Maryland. The men finished second place out of 12 teams. The women finished sixth of 12 teams.

With 60 team points, the men finished only behind Mountain Union College, a nationally ranked division three team who finished with 33 points. The team also accomplished something the first time, beating East Stroudsburg University, who finished with 85 points. Senior Chris Cummings not only paced the Mountaineers, but paced the field of 131 runners bringing home the win with a time of 24:51. Cummings was neck and neck with the second place runner and pulled away in the last mile to win by 19 seconds for the victory. For head cross country coach Mike Rohl, it was all about Chris finishing strong.

"We've been working on him finishing strong and it really showed," Rohl said. "He ran the final two miles in 9:46, and he pulled away from the second place runner by nineteen seconds in the final mile. I'm really pleased with Chris's performance."

Not far behind Cummings was fellow senior Josh Wooten who finished with a time 25:38 which was good enough for fifth place. Wooten improved 37 seconds on his time from the team's last race. Wooten's finish was also something Rohl was proud of.

"Josh ran his final mile in 4:57," Rohl said. He finished the race a minute faster than the last time he raced at this course."

The key to the Mountaineers second place finish was consistency. Of the remaining six runners, four finished within 30 seconds of each other. Senior Dave Sanford finished in 17th with a time of 26:19 while freshman Chris Bogenschutz finished just five seconds behind Sanford in 18th place. Joe Stanek and John-Mark Stoltz

finished just two seconds apart, with Stanek finishing in 24th and Stoltz in 26th.

Stanek improved on his team from the last race by 52 seconds while Stoltz improved 27 seconds on his time.

Rounding out the men's team were Duke Opdyke in 31st place with a time of 26:55 and Bret Kilfner who finished in 48th place with a time of 27:23. Kilfner improved on his time from the teams last meet by over a minute.

The women also had a strong performance this past weekend, finishing sixth with 113 points.

The first place winner was division one Towson who had 40 points.

For the third meet in a row, freshman Brenae Edwards led the Mountie women. She finished the race in 22:53 for 11th place.

"Brenae ran well. She has been adjusting to the college race very well," Rohl said. "I'm really happy with her."

This was the first time all year that the women competed in a 6k race.

Of the 105 runners, Mansfield had five runners in the top 40. Behind Edwards was Clarissa Correll in 15th place with a time of 23:13, and just 24 seconds behind Correll was Jessica Wagner in 23rd. Freshman Irene Primmer and Senior Sarah Pinkowski were just five seconds apart with times of 24:08 and 24:13. Primmer finished in 33rd, while Pinkowski finished in 36th.

"Overall this was a good trip," Rohl said. "I am pleased with our performances this weekend."

The Mountaineers will now travel to the University of Rochester to compete in the Rochester Invite on October 13.

After the Rochester invitational, the cross country team will take a week off before traveling to Kutztown University to compete in the PSAC championships on October 27.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Chris Cummings has been the top finisher on the men's cross country team for every meet so far this season.

NFL picks of the week

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Ravens @ 49ers	49ers	Ravens	Ravens	49ers	Ravens	49ers
Chargers @ Broncos	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos
Bears @ Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers
Cowboys @ Bills	Cowboys	Cowboys	Cowboys	Cowboys	Cowboys	Cowboys

Soccer looks to breakthrough against East Stroudsburg

By CHRIS KINNER
Flashlight Sports writer

The Mansfield soccer team has had a tough time scoring goals this past week, going scoreless for six straight games. That streak was broken on Monday as the Mountaineers scored two goals against California.

The Mountaineers struggled to get anything going offensively on Saturday afternoon against Bloomsburg. The Mountaineers had some chances, but couldn't find the back of the net in a 2-0 loss to Bloomsburg.

Mansfield held the majority of play in the first 20

minutes of the game but were unable to get anything past the Bloomsburg goalie.

Junior goalie Justine Segear recorded two saves in the loss.

The Mansfield women's soccer team broke through on the scoreboard for the first time in six games on Monday but were unable to crack the win column in a 3-2 loss to California (PA).

The Mountaineers took the early 1-0 lead in the first seven minutes of the game when senior Robyn Travisano got a rebound off a shot and put it past Cal goalie Erin Cook. Both goals scored by the Mountaineers were unassisted.

The Vulcans took control during a nine minute span in the first half to take a 3-1 lead.

The Mountaineers didn't quit as Lyndi Keiser got a breakaway during the 66th minute to cut the score to 3-2.

The Mountaineers couldn't get another goal as they fell to 2-8-1 on the season.

Goalie Justine Segear faced 14 shots and was credited with four saves.

Junior Lyndi Keiser leads the Mountaineers offensively this season with four goals. The Mountaineers host East Stroudsburg on Thursday October fourth at 4 p.m. and host West Chester on Saturday October sixth for homecoming at 1:30 p.m.

At this Saturday's homecoming game, there will be free hot dogs and drinks available. Come out and support the soccer team and grab some food while you're there.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Kim Pachuta has started all eight games she's played in this year. The senior has two goals in her career and three assists.

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If the answer is yes, then HAVEN has the perfect volunteering opportunities for you, your school, your organization, your church, etc. whether you have a little spare time or lots of spare time.

If you like to work with people and offer support, comfort, and spare time. If you like to work with people and offer support, comfort, options for their problems, we offer training to volunteers who want to work directly with survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault. If that isn't your cup of tea, but you still want to help, HAVEN has a variety of areas such as fundraising, sitting on the Board of Directors, hosting public events, repairing our shelter.

HAVEN will be hosting an open house on October 11, 2007 from 4:30 to 6:30 at our office location, 6 Old Tioga Street, Wellsboro. Refreshments will be served during the open house. There will be a speaker sharing her personal story of survival. Please join us for a night of opportunity.

How well do you know Baseball trivia

1. When was the last time the New York Yankees won the World Series?

2. When was the last time, before this year, the Philadelphia Phillies made the playoffs?

3. Who hit a home run to beat the Phillies in the World Series in that year?

4. Who played in last year's World Series?

5. Who won this year's American League batting title (led league in average)?

6. Who won this year's National League batting title (led league in average)?

7. Who has the major league record for most RBI's in a season?

8. Who is the manager of the Colorado Rockies?

9. Who is the manager of the Cleveland Indians.

10. What major league pitcher was drafted in the fourth round, 69 overall by the Los Angeles Kings in the 1984 NHL draft?

11. Kirk Gibson came off the bench with two bad knees to hit a home run off what hall of famer in the 1988 World Series?

**Send in your answers to
MU.sports@hotmail.com
The first person with the most
correct answers will receive
10 dollars to Wal-Mart**



Hint to question number 11

Flashlight SPORTS

MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY ❖ VOLUME 90, ISSUE 5 ❖ THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2007

Field Hockey beats Millersville to win second straight game

By PAT LAHR

Flashlight Sports writer

The Fabulous 1890's weekend saw the Mansfield field hockey team return home to play Millersville after a two game road trip. Struggling recently, the Mountaineers were coming off a much needed win over PSAC opponent Slippery Rock University. Sitting at 3-4 in the PSAC the #10 Mountaineers needed a solid win over the Marauders.

Mansfield came out in the first half looking a little sluggish, not getting anything going offensively until the 19th minute. That was when Keely Jarrett slammed in a shot off of a Breanne Tobin assist. The Mountaineers controlled the flow for the remainder of the first half going up 2-0 in the last minute of the half. Tobin's goal at the end of the half came off a corner assist from Shana Markwis and was the first of her two goals.

The Mountaineers came out of halftime on a tear, ripping off two goals in only 35 seconds. The first was an unassisted rally from Carlyn Spangler who buried her own rebound in the back of the net only three minutes into the second half.

Tobin scored her second goal 35 seconds later, with the assist going to Spangler. Mansfield went up 5-0 in the 43rd minute of the game when Rynne Higgins put in a shot off a corner with assists going to Keely Jarrett and Shana Markwis.

The Marauders were able to end Brianna DeLuca's shutout bid with a late goal from Jaclyn Kulesza. DeLuca was credited with eight saves in another excellent game in goal.

The win over Millersville was exactly what the Mountaineers

needed at this point in the season. Both the offense and defense looked sharp and in control for most of the game. In the span of only five minutes the Mountaineer offense exploded with three solid goals and the defense only allowed a late goal.

A tough three game losing streak had knocked Mansfield's conference record below .500. Beating Millersville put them back at .500 with six more PSAC games left.

The Mountaineers take their 7-4 (4-4) record with them on the road this week to face East Stroudsburg University before returning home next Tuesday, October 9 for a game against Shippensburg University.

Mansfield goes on the road to IUP on Wednesday October 3. The Crimson Hawks beat the Mountaineers 1-0 by scoring a goal in the last two minutes of the game.

The Mountaineers defeated East Stroudsburg 3-1 the first time they met. Tobin led the Mansfield offense by scoring two goals. Higgins added another goal with the assist going to Markwis.

Mansfield will be looking to get some payback when they host Shippensburg. The Red Raiders started the Mountaineers three game losing streak when they beat the Mountaineers at Shippensburg 4-1. The Red Raiders scored two goals in each half to take control of the game.

Jarrett scored the only goal of the game for Mansfield.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Shana Markwis leads the field hockey team with five assists on the season.

Coming up in Mountie Sports

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
Oct. 3 FH @ IUP	4 Soccer vs East Stroudsburg, 4	5	6 Soccer vs West Chester, 1:30	7	8	9 FH vs Shippensburg, 4
10	11	12	13FH @ Bloomsburg, 12 Soccer @ Bloomsburg, 2 Cross Country @ Rochester Invite	14	15 Soccer @ Shippensburg, 4	16

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❖❖❖❖ **AN OLD FASHIONED HOMECOMING: SPECIAL EDITION** ❖❖❖❖

Jack's Mannequin cancelled, but concert saved by former Mansfield students

By MIKE LENGEL
Features Editor

In case you missed the news, Jack's Mannequin was scheduled to play in Decker Gymnasium on Homecoming, this Saturday night. In case you missed the even bigger news, the show was cancelled Tuesday due to lead singer Andrew McMahon's health.

Students will be refunded, and Rochester rockers Cruelty Free, and Mansfield's own Under.Escape will play a free concert, sponsored by Student Government Association, in place of Jack's Mannequin. The concert will take place at 9 p.m. at Decker Gymnasium.

The event was predicted to sell many, if not, sell out its tickets. However, as of its cancellation, there were only about 230 sold online and on campus. Many students, like junior Liz Kenny, were completely unaware of the concert. Students that purchased tickets online should have already received an e-mail regarding their refund. For students that bought tickets at the bookstore they simply have to take their ticket and Student ID to the bookstore to receive their refund.

Some may be rebelling Homecoming events due to their lingering anger about the cancellation of the football team last fall. "I'm not rebelling, I've just never heard of Jack's Mannequin," Kenny said. The anger of many students channel to President Loeschke, whom the student body still believes is to blame for the loss of football.

President Loeschke said she hopes the fires would be tamed when the official announcement of sprint football is made this weekend. "It's their right to rebel, if that's what they want to do."

With no football, Mansfield still celebrates and honors Homecoming traditions

By DANELLE MILLER
Flashlight News Co-Editor

Mansfield University's Homecoming Coronation/ Pep-rally 2007 will take place on Friday, Oct. 5 in Decker Gymnasium at 9 p.m.

A meeting to finalize coronation and homecoming plans will be held on Thursday at 6:30 p.m.

Coronation rehearsal will begin at 5 p.m. on Friday. Candidates and escorts will learn their positions for the event. This will take approximately half an hour.

Clarence Crisp is the director of Student Activities. "This years coronation ceremony will be different primarily because it is indoors and it will take place all in one night," Crisp said. "We thought it would be a safe bet to have homecoming indoors because it wasn't too much of a deviation from past years."

Robert Maris, advisor to the MU cheerleaders, will be the announcer for the night.

The Spirit and Pride of Pennsylvania will play a selec-

Clarence Crisp, Director of Student Activities and advisor to Mansfield Activities Council, has years of experience with putting together concerts and this isn't the first time something like this has happened to Mansfield.

"You can never tell with the concerts. It's a risk factor," Crisp said.

Rebellion or no rebellion, Jack's Mannequin has cancelled the Mansfield show along with the rest of their shows this year. Lead singer "Andrew McMahon is suffering from significant mental exhaustion and physical fatigue. After his cancer recovery, he jumped right back into touring and didn't stop for 14 months. The extensive travel has taken a toll on his mind and body - enough so that management believes that it is in his, and his fans', best interest for him to be home so that he can regain his strength. Andrew is very disappointed and wishes to sincerely apologize to the fans, the schools, the promoters, and everyone involved," band management said.

Mark Ewing, Vice President of MAC, spearheaded the event from the beginning. He said that MAC is looking into several options for the future. MAC is considering another concert, a comedian or an all day music festival in conjunction with Spring Fling.

"We're looking at a possible concert in late November," Ewing said. "If nothing happens this fall we will most definitely hold the annual spring concert."

Crisp thinks that the chances are better to hold a concert in the Spring. "During the fall there are more obstacles because of basketball playing in Decker and performances going on in Straughn Auditorium," Crisp said. "Chances are 50/50 for the

tion of songs, the MU Dance Team will perform and the MU Cheerleaders will start off the pep-rally.

Roger Maisner, the director of athletics, will introduce the Athletic Hall of Fame inductees and the MU Athletic teams.

Afterward, President Maravene Loeschke and last years king and queen, Sahr Thomas and Sharon Thomas, will crown this years winners.

After the crowning has taken place, the band will perform more selections.

Pizza, provided by Papa V's, and soda will be served after the event.

"I believe we are showing respect and honor to tradition and respect for the students by continuing homecoming," Crisp said.

Erick Murtland is a homecoming candidate. "It is weird having it in the gym. There is no real attraction since it's late at night," Murtland said.

MU Women's Soccer will play at home versus West



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The band will reunite at Decker this Saturday to help celebrate Mansfield's Homecoming.

Fall but 100 percent for the Spring."

Cruelty Free has appeared on Dane Cook's "Tourgasm" soundtrack and you can check them out on their website, www.crueltyfreemusic.com.

Under.Escape split up last spring due to graduations and other school related reasons, but is excited to play the Homecoming show. Dave Bucknor, lead singer and guitarist, was also influential in booking Cruelty Free.

"We were tentative about it at first, but I think now the biggest thing for us is going to be getting everything back together in such a short time," Bucknor said. They're scheduled to play a one hour set.

Chester at 1:30 p.m.

Eric Bohannon is a Mansfield University student. "The soccer team works just as hard as any other team. They will play solid competition. Even though football is not a part of Mansfield, the women's soccer should be supported during homecoming," Bohannon said.

Reya Hansen is a Mansfield student. "Even though soccer is being held over homecoming, it's not football. It's not like having the football game, then at halftime the crowning, and then the football game continues," Hansen said.

Look for a full listing of Homecoming events on the back page!

Come Support Mansfield Women's Soccer

1:30 p.m. vs West Chester • October 6, 2007

**Check out the 2007
Homecoming
candidates
on the
inside!**





Amy Young
Student Alumni Ambassadors



Ashley Munro
Biology Club



Erick Murtland
WNTF

2007

MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY HOMECOMING CANDIDATES



Ashley Spencer
MU Cheerleaders



Chris Phifer
Boxing



Ron Wise
ARHC



Peter Intoc
Council for



Carrie Goodyear
PRSSA



Brent Sample
Greek Life



LaQuicha Brown
Zodiak



Rachelle Pintande
Panhellenic Council



Corey Tarreto Environmental Awareness Club

VERSITY G DIDATES



Marisa Fronczkiewz
Criminal Justice Club



Matthew Pilkerton
Maple Hall Council



Robin Travisano
Student Government Association



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Stacy Allesch
Kappa Phi



Sarah Bianco
LEO Club



Stephanie Lynch
Psychology Club



Mark Ewing
Mansfield Activities Council



Rachel Boyll
Phi Sigma Pi



Marissa Chirillo
Music Dept.

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MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY ❖ HOMECOMING SPECIAL ❖ THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2007

Schedule of Events : An Old Fashioned Homecoming

Friday, October 5

4:30 - 5:30 ♦ Hall of Fame
Reception ♦ Lobby of Decker Gym

**9 P.M. ♦ PEP RALLY ♦
HOMECOMING KING AND
QUEEN CORONATION ♦
DECKER**

Saturday, October 6

10 a.m. ♦ Homecoming Parade

♦ Main Street

HOMECOMING FAIR AT

KELCHNER FITNESS CENTER

12 p.m. ♦ East West Karate

12:30 p.m. ♦ Potato Sack Race

1 p.m. ♦ BSU Dance Team
Performance

1:30 p.m. ♦ Hip-Hop Cardio
Demonstration

2 p.m. ♦ ZODIAK Stance Team
Performance

2:30 p.m. ♦ Limbo Contest

2:45 p.m. ♦ Laptop Giveaway

3 p.m. ♦ MU Dance Team Per-
formance

**3:30 P.M. ♦ PONTIAC
FOOTBALL TOSS AT VAN
NORMAN FIELD**

**1:30 P.M. ♦ MU WOMEN'S
SOCCER V. WEST CHESTER**

2 p.m. ♦ Marching Band Festival
♦ Van Norman Field

4 p.m. ♦ Finale Performance of
The Spirit and The Pride of Pennsyl-
vania Marching Band

7 p.m. ♦ Prism Concert ♦ Stead-
man Theatre, Butler

**9 P.M. ♦ CONCERT ♦
UNDER ESCAPE AND
CRUELTY FREE ♦ DECKER
GYMNASIUM**



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WORD ON THE STREET:

Do students still plan on attending homecoming festivities now that there's no football?



Name: Matt Moroski
Year: Junior, Criminal Justice

"No, I'd rather see football more than girls soccer. It was always great to see a game, even if we lost. Now there's a piece missing."



Name: Melody Anderton
Year: Sophomore, Nursing

"No, I work all weekend, so I won't be here."



Name: Nate Galloway
Year: Junior, Music

"Definitely, it's important for school spirit, great to be involved and contribute."

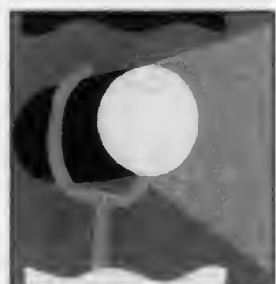


Name: Rachel Sherman
Year: Junior, Music Education

"Yeah, because homecoming is important even without football. It signifies school pride and unity."

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United Campus Ministry is the spotlight on campus

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Halloween is just around the corner

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Mountie Madness spreads across campus

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Today's Weather
Partly Cloudy



High- 59°F
Overnight Low- 40°F

Information taken from
weather.com

ZTA holds annual 'Big Man on Campus' event to raise funds for breast cancer awareness

By **ASHLEE FREDERICK**
Flashlight Writer

Big Man on Campus will take place at 9 p.m. Oct. 30 in Decker Gymnasium.

The event is a male pageant put on each fall semester by Zeta Tau Alpha to raise money for their philanthropy efforts, Breast Cancer Awareness and Research.

Contestants in the competition will be judged on their formal wear, talent and answers they give during a question and answer round for the three to five men who make it through the first two rounds.

This year the competition is free for all clubs, organizations, sports teams and dormitory candidates to enter.

Both the past and present competitors said that they are looking forward to the talent portion of the competition.

Taylor Smith, a senior music education major at Mansfield University who is a part of the

Sigma Alpha Epsilon fraternity, won last year's competition. He is one of the judges for the competition this year.

"A person's talent could be something serious or funny. We want people to know this so that they will get involved," Smith said.

Brandon Carboari, a senior music education major at Mansfield University, is part of the fraternity SAE. Carboari is representing ZTA in the competition this year.

"My roommate is singing and playing the piano accompaniment to the song 'Gone' by Ben Folds, so I am excited to hear him perform," Carboari said.

Ron Bolek, a senior broadcasting major at Mansfield University, is part of the fraternity SAE and will be compete for a second time this year.

"Everyone is just there to have a good time; it is a relaxed atmosphere," Bolek said.



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Big Man On Campus is hosted by the ladies of Zeta Tau Alpha.

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Campus and community celebrate 150 years together

By **KAY BARRETT**
Flashlight Writer

Manser Dining Hall was transformed from a college cafeteria to formal dining room on Saturday, October 13, when the Sesquicentennial Gala took over the usually student-filled eatery.

The Sesquicentennial Gala was one of the many festivities that have been held this year as part of the 150th anniversary of Mansfield Borough and Mansfield University. The town and Mansfield Classical Seminary were both established in 1857, which is not a common occurrence according to Don Carmen, First Vice President of the Pennsylvania State Association of Boroughs (PSAB).

"You have the distinct honor of being one of the only known boroughs to have the anniversary of its university and town on the same year," Carmen said, "PSAB would like to extend to you its congratulations and appreciation and wish you another wonderful 150 years."

The Gala was the last and most elegant event for the Sesquicentennial celebration. The



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Mansfield University and Mansfield Borough celebrate 150 years together at the Gala.

night was broken down into a reception and dinner in the main dining hall, and then dancing and entertainment in a transformed North

Manser ballroom.

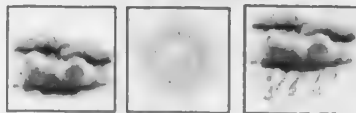
The people were not the only ones in formal attire; Manser Dining Hall was surrounded by black curtains and street lamps. The tables were outfitted with white table clothes and black slipcovers were placed over the usually plastic cafeteria seats.

However, the theme of the night was much more important than the decorations. The event was held in honor of the unity between the town and the university. Deb Bastion is co-chair of the Sesquicentennial Committee and believes the best part of planning events such as the Gala is coming together.

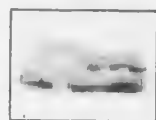
"It has been a wonderful opportunity for the people from the university and the town to work together," Bastion said.

A number of presentations were given after dinner about the history of the town and the university.

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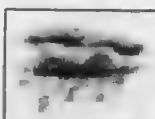
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SATURDAY



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SUNDAY

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High: 52 Low: 33

MONDAY



Sunny

High: 55 Low: 35

TUESDAY



Sunny

High: 57 Low: 39

WEDNESDAY



Sunny

High: 59 Low: 41

Information taken from
www.weather.com

Info-To-Go

Campus Bulletin Board

Mansfield University

The Black Students Union (BSU) Events:

-Bowling party at Maple Lanes on Nov. 9 from 10 p.m. to 1 a.m. BSU members are free and others cost \$1.

-*Walk Like Me* fashion show on Nov. 10 at 6:30 p.m. in Decker Gymnasium. MU Students pay \$3 and non-students must pay \$5.-

-*Voice of Diversity* will be held on Nov. 7 at 7 p.m. The topics discussed will be stereotypes, race relations, minority inclusion, and lack of support.-

'BMOC'

Ashley Spencer is a senior art education major and a member of Zeta Tau Alpha. Spencer is helping to organize the event which has been going on since before she became a part of ZTA five years ago.

"The talent does not have to be something astounding. It could be a simple talent that is entertaining to the crowd," Spencer said.

Anyone who is interested in either competing in the competition or nominating someone to compete may pick up a form at ZTA's Breast Cancer Awareness table in Lower Manser. Also, forms will be distributed around campus. The deadline for all forms is Sunday, Oct. 28.

Admission is two dollars for those wearing visible pink and three dollars for general admission. All proceeds go to ZTA's Breast Cancer Awareness and Research fund.

The judges that have been invited to review the contestants are Jim Harrington, Greek Life Coordinator; Momma Joyce (Joyce Barnes), who is a breast cancer survivor and works in Manser Dining Hall; President Maravene Loeschke, who is invited back to judge for a second year; and Taylor Smith, who won the competition last year. A fifth judge will be chosen from among the sisters of ZTA.

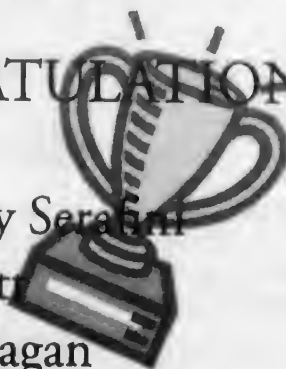
Mansfield's cheerleaders and the MU Dance Team will perform during intermissions during the competition.

Flashlight Writers of the Week:

Issue 6, October 25, 2007

CONGRATULATIONS!

Features: Brittany Serafini
News: Kay Barrett
Sports: Nicole Hagan



Entertainment Corner

Top R&B/Hip-Hop Singles:

- 1.) **Alicia Keys** No One
- 2.) **J. Holiday** - Bed
- 3.) **Justin Timberlake/Beyonce** - Until the End of Time
- 4.) **Keyisha Cole/Missy Elliott/Lil' Kim** - Let It Go
- 5.) **Kanye West/T. Pain** - Good Life



Featured Album:
Jose Gonzalez
In Our Nature (Mute)

Top Movies:

- 1.) **30 Days of Night**, R, Josh Hartnett, Melissa George
- 2.) **Why Did I Get Married?**, PG-13, Tyler Perry
- 3.) **The Game Plan**, PG, The Rock, Madison Pettit
- 4.) **Michael Clayton**, R, George Clooney, Michael O'Keefe
- 5.) **Gone Baby Gone**, R, Casey Affleck, Morgan Freeman



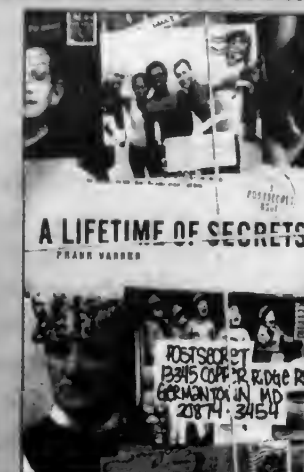
Featured Movie:

Into The Wild

R, Emile Hirsch, William Hurt



Featured Books:

The Gathering Anne Enright**Lifetime of Secrets: A Postsecret Book** Frank Warren

Spotlight on Campus:



By **REBECCA HAZEN**
Flashlight Writer

The United Campus Ministry at Mansfield is a place for students and faculty to get in touch with and develop their religion.

The United Campus Ministry exists not to replace one's religious tradition, but rather to be an extension of that tradition during a student's time at Mansfield. The Ministry is there to explore and guide students as new ideas, new living experiences, new choices and new horizons are faced.

Courtney Murphey-Hull and Deb Casey are the two ministers who work for the Ministry. Hull is the Catholic Campus Minister, and Casey is the Protestant Campus Minister. They are available for students to discuss questions they have, or when the students need help with something. They are also utilized if there is a tragedy that affects the campus. They also lead prayers at Commencement and other special events, and they do programming that students request. "We are really 'Jill-of-all-Trades.' If it involves students and we can help, we usually do," Hull said.

"Students should be using this time of exploration to

move themselves out of an adolescent faith into an adult faith. College is a safe place to make this and many other transitions in life so it is important for colleges to have theologically trained people to help with developing the spiritual aspect or side of each individual student," Hull said.

The Ministry is supported by eight different organizations in the area. They are the American Baptist Church, Disciples of Christ, Episcopal Church, Evangelical Lutheran Church of America, Presbyterian Church (USA), United Church of Christ, United Methodist Church and the Roman Catholic Diocese of Scranton.

The United Campus Ministry holds discussion groups for all students at the Holy Child Church in Mansfield every other Sunday. Things that are important to college students are discussed and how it affects one's faith and relationship with God.

The Ministry holds community service trips a few times a year. Once a semester, the Ministry takes students to a soup kitchen in Philadelphia to do volunteer work. For over a decade there has been a trip over spring break affiliated with the Red Bird Mission. Students travel to Kentucky where they do a weeks worth of volunteer work for a community. This year the Ministry is planning on doing a local service experience during the first few days of spring break.

Next door to the Ministry's office (112 Pinecrest) is a Meditation/Prayer Room. This is an area where students can have quiet time to pray, meditate, read, relax, etc. There is a bookshelf filled with religious texts that are available. Students can also write down prayer requests in a prayer book.

"It is available every day and everyone is welcome--114 Pinecrest. Also we are right next door if the students need anything or have questions," Hull said.

Hull thinks that the best part about her job is working with the students. "It is wonderful to be with students through all the ups and downs of college life. College students are so full of energy and ideas and it is exciting to be a part of their triumphs and successes. Plus it is fun and no day is ever the same when working at a college and with college students," Hull said.

The United Campus Ministry and prayer room are open Monday through Fridays 9:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Anyone wishing to arrange weekend hours can contact Courtney Hull or Deb Casey. To find out more information, anyone can visit the United Campus Ministry's web page at Mansfield University's website.

-If you know a student, faculty member or organization that deserves to be recognized, please e-mail us at flashlit@mansfield.edu.-

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Women's Choir
Men's choir
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**Saturday, October 27, 2007
8:00 PM**

**Steadman Theater on the campus of
Mansfield University**

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For more information or to purchase tickets online, please visit our website at <http://music.mansfield.edu>

Funded in part through student activity fees

Play raises awareness for domestic violence

By REBECCA HAZEN

Flashlight Writer

"Whispers," a one woman play, was presented at Mansfield University on Thursday Oct. 18.

The play was put on by Marsha Becker, an acting professor at Towson University. In the play she acts out eleven different characters, all effected in some way by domestic violence.

"Whispers" is based upon interviews with more than a hundred domestic violence survivors. Every character that is acted out is real as well as the dialogue.

Becker had to go through a lot of preparation in order to put this play together. "In order to do something like this, it had to be approved by a committee first. I had to meet with psychologists. I also had to go through a lot of soul searching," Becker said.

Her main purpose of "Whispers" is to show everyone that domestic violence permeates all realms of society. No one is safe and it can happen to anyone. This was proven by the differences in the people she portrayed.

She took the audience into the life of a young woman who came to America to marry a man. This woman turned into her husband's servant, being chained up in the kitchen day after day. Her husband yelled at her because the apple pie was not cut up. Instead of cutting the pie, she put the knife in his neck. This woman went to prison and is still there.

Another story was about a woman who met Chris at work. They became fast friends and soon became a couple. They spent every moment together, but it soon got to a point where Chris would not let her see her friends or family anymore. This woman was too afraid to tell anyone her problem, because no one knew that Chris was a

woman, and she was in a homosexual relationship.

Becker acted out dialogue from women and men. She portrayed a man who was in a program, trying to work through his problems with his wife. This man kept on insisting he was getting better, but at home he would yell, scream and worse - beat his wife.

One character out of the eleven was fictional. She was a representation of a housewife in the 1950's and how she was responsible for all of the work.

"I drew inspiration from the old TV shows *Father Knows Best*, *Leave it to Beaver*, *Ozzie and Harriet*, and the *Donna Reed show*. I grew up with some subliminal messages that this was the norm," Becker said.

"Whispers" is a work in progress. She is working on two more monologues to add to "Whispers." One deals with men who are victims of domestic violence and another piece deals with religion and how it keeps people in a marriage, even though it may be unhealthy.

Becker first got interested in doing this kind of play during college. "I was in President Loeschke's acting class, and she gave us the assignment to do a one performer show. I got a taste of what it was like," Becker said. In NYU she took an oral history class where she learned about Anna Devere Smith, a woman who interviewed people who dealt with events such as the Brooklyn riots. She was the woman who inspired her to talk directly to people who deal with domestic violence.

Becker has acted in many other plays, but "Whispers" is the only solo performance that she is doing. "Whispers" has been performed up and down the east coast, at the Everyman Theatre in Baltimore, the Dixon Place Theatre in NYC, Baltimore's Theatre Project and on many college campuses.

'GALA'

Joseph Maresco, retired Vice President for Student Affairs at Mansfield University, discussed the perseverance of Mansfield Classical Seminary after it burnt to ground four months after opening in 1857.

"They didn't call it quits. They struggled, raised some money, and moved on from there," Maresco said.

Maresco also commented on the past importance of Mansfield University football.

"The football games were where the community and the university really came together. Everyone came to watch the game and they were great events," Maresco.

Lawrence Mansfield, President of the Mansfield University Foundation, closed the night's presentations with one final phrase about togetherness.

"I am very, very proud to be a Mansfieldian and by Mansfieldian, I mean a part of the community and the university," Mansfield said.

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Say "Thank You" to Mansfield community with 'The Big Event'

By JAMIE CURTIS

Flashlight Writer

The Mansfield University Student Government Association (SGA) will take part in a national community service project called "The Big Event" on March 29, 2008.

"The Big Event" began at Texas A&M University over 20 years ago. It is a national service day in which jobs are gathered throughout the year; and then people are assigned to these different tasks. It is a way for students to interact and give back to the community.

"The Big Event" has since spread to more than 25 universities across the country. This is Mansfield University's first year participating in the project.

Carl Bloom, an SGA member and senior at Mansfield University, is excited about participating in the introduction of this project within the Mansfield chapter.

"It is kind of our brainchild, and something as myself, a graduating senior, would like to leave behind as a positive influence on Mansfield University," Bloom said.

SGA oversees other student organizations on campus and is currently in charge of funding for the event, but hopes that the project will take off and become its own entity in the future.

Shantee Proctor is also a member of SGA for the Mansfield chapter and will be working on the Big Event project.

"Anyone from individual groups or organizations are welcome to participate. We're looking for people who want to be there," Proctor said. "We are especially looking for those who are seeking leadership opportunities; this is a great resume builder. Planning this project is a long process, we need people to help organize, promote, lead, manage, anything."

There are jobs in the executive offices, outreach leaders and job task managers.

If anyone is interested in participating/planning the project contact either Carl Bloom bloomc@mounties.mansfield.edu, or Shantee Proctor proctors@mounties.mansfield.edu for more information.

New plaque in North Hall honors retired faculty

By REBECCA HAZEN

Flashlight Writer

Faculty emeriti at Mansfield University were honored Sept. 28. with a new plaque in a dedication ceremony held in North Hall Library.

President Maravene Loeschke, Provost Michael Renner, retired faculty and staff were in attendance.

The plaque is on the main floor in North Hall Library and includes 99 retired faculty members who have been given the status to date, from 1966 to 2007. The names surround the Mansfield Creed: Character, Scholarship, Culture and Service.

Dr. Peter Keller, dean of faculty, said the plaque has a lot of significance.

"It shows the way the university has recognized emeriti. Emeriti refer to distinguished retirees. Many have devoted several decades, some their entire career was spent here," Keller said.

In order to achieve such status, a retired faculty member must first be nominated by his or her department, and then the decision is voted on by the entire faculty. It is then brought before the Council of Trustees, who

makes the final decision.

"It is with the deepest appreciation, pride, respect, and love that we thank you all for your teaching, your scholarship, your service, and everything you have brought to the students, faculty, and staff of this community," Loeschke said. "We are proud to have your names here forever. We are proud to have you part of us forever."

Four new names will be added to the plaque. These retired faculty members were granted emeritus status Sept. 26; LesEric Achey, a librarian from August 1970 to May 2007, Walter Sanders, an English and Modern Languages professor from September 1967 to June 2005, Robert Wooley, a Social Work, Anthropology and Sociology professor from September 1971 to June 2007, and William Yacovissi, a Business and Economics professor from August 1976 to May 2007.

"They are no longer teaching here, but their contributions live on," Keller said. "We want to maintain good will with retired faculty and encourage engagement. The plaque is an important step forward in keeping them involved in the university community."

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This Week in Politics-National and Foreign News

By CHRISTIAN JOHNSON
Flashlight Writer

Kurdish Ambush sparks Turkish Military Action

Tensions in Northern Iraq mount as dozens of Turkish military vehicles and soldiers marched toward the region on Monday. These actions come as a result from a deadly ambush by guerilla Kurds that killed 12 Turkish soldiers and left eight missing. A counteroffensive by Turkish military personnel killed 34 guerrillas. According to a Kurdish news agency, guerillas were successful in capturing the eight missing soldiers but the Kurdish rebel leader Bahoz Erdal doesn't plan to harm them. Large demonstrations erupted throughout Turkey as angry citizens and public figures called for a violent strike against Kurdish guerillas in Iraq. The State Department in Washington plans to open a "full court press" diplomatic procedure that will urge Turkey to refrain from the launch a full-scale invasion of Northern Iraq. Recep Tayyip Erdogan, the prime minister of Turkey, had a phone conversation with Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice on Sunday in which he talked about U.S involvement in the situation. He claimed that Turkey expected "speedy steps from the U.S" in reducing attacks made by Kurdish rebels on the border.



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A Kurdish ambush in Northern Iraq has the Turkish army marching on the region.

GOP Hopefuls Debate in Florida

Orlando, Fla. - On Monday GOP presidential candidates did some mudslinging in an attempt to discredit each other's conservative credentials. The debate, which is the eighth Republican debate of the year, featured topics ranging from national security, education, Iraq, fiscal policy and family values. Fred Thompson, the former Senator from Tennessee, attacked fellow Republican Rudy Giuliani for his socially liberal policies. "Mayor Guiliani believes in federal funding for abortion. He believes in sanctuary cities. He's for gun control. He supported Mario Cuomo, a liberal Democrat, against a Republican who was running for governor; then opposed the governor's tax cuts when he was there," Thompson said. Guiliani fought back by explaining the fact he made great improvements in New York City as mayor and that he "outperformed any expectations."

"I had the most legal city in the country. And I took the crime capital of America and I turned it into the safest large city in the



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Governor Mitt Romney of Massachusetts was a favorite target of attack at a recent Republican debate.

country. The senator has never had executive responsibility. He's never had the weight of people's safety and security on his shoulders," Giuliani said. Thompson then continued to fire shots, aiming next at Mitt Romney, whose voting record and conservatism was questioned throughout the night.

The toughest critic of Romney was Arizona Senator John McCain who said that the American people would not be fooled by the former Massachusetts governor. "You've spent the past year trying to fool people about your record. I don't want you to start fooling them about mine. I stand on my conservative record," McCain said. One person who seemed to shy away from all the fighting was Former Arkansas governor Mike Huckabee. Responding to a question, Huckabee added: "I'll be ready to run for president because I'm not interested in fighting with these guys. What I'm interested in is fighting for the American people, and I think they're looking for a presidential candidate who's not so interested in a demolition derby against the other people in his own party."

School in Maine Approves Birth Control Prescriptions for Students

A local school board for King Middle School in Portland, Maine approved a proposal that will allow students to have access to birth control pills and patches. Since 2002, King's Health Center provided condoms to students who had written permission from parents who allowed their children to be treated at the school's medical center. Students at the school are in grades 6 through 8 and usually range in age from 11 to 13. This proposal will also make sure that students can receive contraception products without their parents knowing. Birth control prescriptions will be given to any student who undergoes a simple physical exam by a nurse or physician. Opponents of the proposal argue that it rejects parental responsibility and that violates basic rights of parents. Others say it is a blatant attempt to go against religion and God. In the past four years, three Portland middle schools reported 17 pregnancies. That number doesn't include miscarriages or abortions that weren't report to school nurses.

Staph infection outbreaks appear in schools nationwide

By KIMBERLEE BLOCKER
Flashlight Writer

Across the country schools are reporting outbreaks of a deadly antibiotic resistant staph infection, known as Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus or MRSA.

The infection was reported to have killed a 17-year-old high school student in Bedford, Virginia on October 15, causing 21 schools to shut down for a thorough cleaning to rid of the infection. Mt. Lebanon High School in Pittsburgh, PA was reported to have had to test their entire football field due to high levels of bacteria found among the football players and visitor teams. Ten MRSA infections were confirmed at the school, nine of them being Mt. Lebanon football players and the tenth from the opposing team.

Kayla Braswell, a 19-year-old student who attends the Community College of Alleghany County in Pittsburgh, PA had a staph infection her senior year of high school. "A staph infection is definitely nothing to play with. I remember when I missed half of my senior year because I had caught one by being in the hospital too long after my surgery. It was a terrible thing to experience. A process that was supposed to

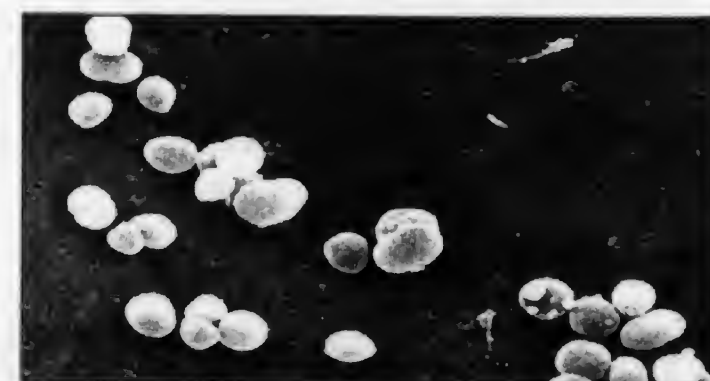
be done in one day ended up turning into months because of the reoccurring infection" Braswell said.

MRSA is highly contagious and can be acquired through hospitals and communities. Hospital acquired MRSA is more dangerous and usually attacks those who have been in hospitals for some time, including the elderly and sick. MRSA contracted through communities can occur in children and adults, generally starting off as a skin infection and if untreated will travel to other parts of the body.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, nearly 19,000 people in 2005 in the United States were infected with MRSA and died shortly afterwards. The mortality rates of those who have died from MRSA will soon, if not already, exceed those who have died from HIV-AIDS or even homicide each year.

"I almost died. I had to remain in the Intensive Care Unit until the infection was completely gone. I never want to experience anything like that again," Braswell added.

MRSA spreads through skin to skin contact, open infected wounds, items that have been contaminated by the infection and lack of hygiene. Locations such as schools, households,



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A microscope shows the face of the deadly staph infection that claimed the lives of 19,000 in 2005.

correctional facilities, daycare centers and even dormitories are places that MRSA is reported the highest.

The infections can be prevented by good hygiene, bandaging wounds, avoiding sharing personal items and keeping a clean living environment.

To learn more about MRSA, its symptoms or how to prevent it log on to www.cdc.gov or talk to your local physician or doctor.

Science fiction made reality? Scientists discover quantum telelportation

By BRITTANY SERAFINI

Flashlight Writer

Teleportation has been a staple of science fiction writing for years. However, now it is being talked about as a "scientific possibility."

During the last couple years, physicists in Austria, Australia and Denmark have achieved the fundamental levels of teleportation. That is, they have not been able to get beyond the quantum level of atoms and photons to the macro level of people and objects.

Charles H. Bennett of IBM Research, part of the team that first discovered "quantum teleportation," expresses his and his fellow physicists' excitement.

"This whole area is surrounded by a sort of mystique that makes people feel they can't

understand it," Bennett said. "In fact it is simpler than it sounds. What you have to note is that in this sort of experiment the atom itself is not teleported, but rather the delicate quantum information contained in the atom."

Even so, the teleportation being studied is not the same type of teleportation that has been written about in science fiction for years. Instead, the "quantum teleportation" is focused on the transmission of information rather than matter.

According to CNN, the teleportation process relies on "Quantum Entanglement," a phenomenon that Einstein described as "spukhafte Fernwirkung" or "spooky action at

a distance."

In layman's terms, it involves two separate particles behaving as if they were the same particle, even though they are separated by a great distance. Any change to one particle will be mirrored in the other.

Neil Johnson, professor at University of Miami's Department of Physics, feels that quantum teleportation has "enormous implications" for the computing world in both the amount of information that can be stored and the speed at which it can be moved from place to place.

"Although we are still some way off actually building a quantum computer, the

possibilities are extraordinary," said Johnson. "In theory it could contain an almost infinite amount of information, and move that information around at almost the speed of light."

As far as teleporting humans, many researchers are skeptical. Valerie Jamieson, physics features editor at New Scientist magazine, believes that teleporting humans will never get much further than theory.

"One thing I've learned is never to underestimate the ingenuity of physicists, so never say never," Jamieson said.

Film Review: "Across the Universe"

By BRITTANY SERAFINI

Flashlight Writer

After spending an entire month in New York City and Philadelphia, Julie Taymor's "Across the Universe" finally opened nationwide on October 12.

Julie Taymor has taken much artistic license with her Beatles musical, but she does so in a way that weaves both unpopular and popular Beatles' songs together into a believable storyline. This had to be a difficult feat for Taymor; the last time someone put Beatles music to a screenplay, the result was 1978's "Sgt. Pepper's Lonely Hearts Club Band," and it was terrible.

Over the backdrop of the 1960s, a young Liverpool shipyard worker, Jude (Jim Sturgess), travels to the United States to find his father. Jude soon meets and becomes friends with Max (Joe Anderson), who wants to quit his sheltered Harvard life and move to New York City. Following Max to New York, Jude concentrates on his art and his budding romance with Max's younger sister, Lucy (Evan Rachael Wood), while settling into an apartment with Jopline-esque singer, Sadie (Dana Fuchs), Prudence (T.V. Carpio) and Hendrix-esque guitarist, JoJo (Martin Luther McCoy). The subsequent social uprisings and emotional upheavals find Jude struggling to find and maintain himself in a world that is coming apart.

Rather than remarking on the change in the 1960s, Taymor uses the decade's images as touchstones for the comfort of the audience. They are the common sights: war protests, civil rights struggles, drug use and flower power. The images combined with the Beatles' music extend from the literal (Uncle Sam and the Vietnam-drafted soldiers singing "I Want You (She's So Heavy)") to the heartbreaking (a young African-American boy singing "Let It Be") to the flamboyant (Mr. Kite's (Eddie Izzard) performance of "Being for the Benefit of Mr. Kite").

Not all of the pieces of the musical fit together smoothly, so if you go into the theater expecting anything other than clichés and iconography, it will make you sick. "Across the Universe" is best viewed as a blast of creativity rather than a traditional story or musical.

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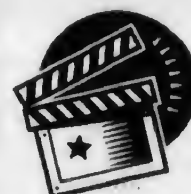
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Carrie: "My favorite costume as a child was when I was the Lady of the Night. She's dead, she's angry and she has a really bad hairstyle."

Mike: "I'm usually just a collar-popping Bro because that's the scariest thing ever to me. Although I dressed up as Coach Shiffer last year, that worked out pretty well."

Kara: "I love Halloween, I still carve pumpkins, make caramel apples and dress up. If I could I'd probably still trick-or-treat. But this year I'll have fun handing out candy to all the little trick-or-treaters."

Ebon: "All I want is candy. Just give me candy and I'll be happy."

Dandle: "Last year I went to Kelchner and I was with 2 of my gay friends, one of them was a 20's Flapper. Then I got a picture with him and President Lueschke and the President grabbed the Flapper's fake boob!"



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Halloween has its origins in the ancient Gaelic festival known as Samhain. On October 31, the boundaries between the living and the dead overlapped, and cause havoc such as sickness or damaged crops. The festival involved the bones of slaughtered livestock were thrown. Costumes and masks were worn to mimic the evil spirits, which is where we get our

Trick or treating has its roots in the late medieval practice of "souling," receiving food in return for prayers for the dead on All Souls Day. "guising," a practice that is closest to resembling trick-or-treating, was non-existent in North America until the 20th century, and

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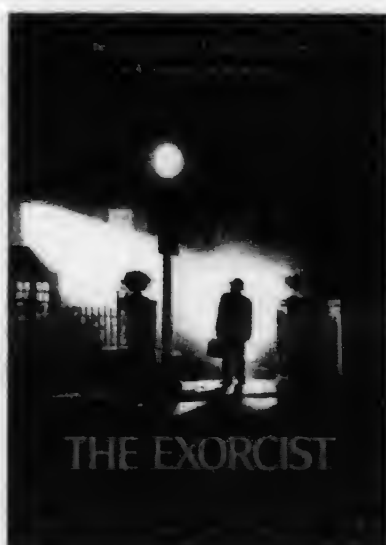
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as Samhain. The Ancient Gaels believed that on
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ivals would frequently involve bonfires, where the
masks were also worn at the festivals in an attempt
our traditional Halloween costumes.

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Day. It then evolved into the Scottish tradition of
eating. Trick-or-treating is believed to have been
and was then known simply as "begging."

FREAKY FACTS

- Americans spent \$4.96 billion on costumes in 2006
- It is estimated that Americans will spend \$2.18 billion on candy this Halloween
- The world's fastest time to carve a face into a pumpkin is 54.72 seconds, by Stephen Clarke of the USA, on October 23, 2001
- More than 93 percent of children go trick-or-treating each year.

Opinion & Editorial

"from the editor's desk"



Show your school pride

Both of these teams are immensely successful each year and even though there are some students that come out to the games, there could be more.

I know Decker only holds so many students, but usually only one side of the stands are full. I feel especially because football is gone, students should get excited about the basketball season. I know that nothing will replace football and I understand that they're completely different sports but I think most of what having sports is about is supporting your university, those athletes that play and showing school pride.

I know everyone has probably watched a D1 sporting event on TV or spoken to a die hard Penn State, Ohio State, UNC or Duke fan and has seen how much pride those students take in their sports. There's no reason that the students here at Mansfield shouldn't feel the same way. Our basketball teams are actually good! On the mens team we have two nationally ranked players; Kevin Hill and Chris Greene and on the womens team Courtney Brooks and Mallory

Hafer are both nationally ranked.

They work incredibly hard too. They've been practicing and playing pick-up games since school started. They get up at 6 a.m. to train, before most students are even thinking about waking up.

Sure, we're not as big as some of those other schools but we have just as much reason to go and support our teams. but our players work just as hard to represent our school and win games.

I know for some people Mansfield isn't the ideal place, I hear people complaining all the time. But for some reason, you chose to come here and while you're here you should make the most of the college experience. The more support you give other students, the more pride you have in the school, the better your time here will be.

07-08 Home Games

Nov. 15 - Lemoyne College - 7:30 p.m. - Men
 Nov. 20 - Messiah College - 7 p.m. - Men
 Nov. 26 - Seton Hill University - 7 p.m. - Men
 Dec. 5 - Penn College - 7 p.m. - Men
 Dec. 13 - Bowie State - 6 p.m. - Men
 Dec. 18 - Lock Haven - 5:30 p.m. - Women - 7:30 p.m. - Men
 Dec. 19 - Shippensburg - 5:30 p.m. - Women - 7:30 p.m. - Men
 Jan. 5 - California - 1 p.m. - Women - 3 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. Men
 Jan. 23 - District of Columbia - 7 p.m. - Men
 Jan. 26 - Cheyney - 1 p.m. - Women - 3 p.m. - Men
 Jan. 30 - East Stroudsburg - 5:30 p.m. - Women - 7:30 p.m. - Men
 Feb. 2 - West Chester - 1 p.m. - Women - 3 p.m. - Men
 Feb. 9 - Millersville - 1 p.m. - Women - 3 p.m. - Men
 Feb. 13 - Kutztown - 5:30 p.m. - Women - 7:30 p.m. - Men

Check online for a complete schedule!

Basketball season is right around the corner, Mountie Madness just kicked off last Friday and the first home games start as early as Nov. 15. The PSAC conference play starts in December. That may seem like a long way off, but it's only a few short weeks away and it's going to go faster than any of us expect.

Basketball has always been my favorite sport here at Mansfield, even when we had football. I'll admit I don't know too much of the technical rules, but it's the one sport that I've felt that we as students can really stand by and support.

The men have always been successful, last year was the first time in four years that they didn't make it to the playoffs. The women made it to the playoffs for the second time in a row last year, making school history. Before the 05-06 season, they had never made it.

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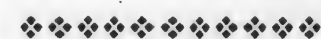
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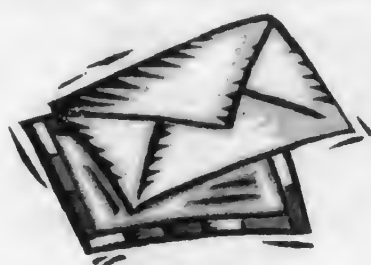
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Letters TO THE Editor

Make your voice heard

Editor,

One of the most important days of the year is coming quicker than you think. Many young people complain about political issues, but seem to forget they can do something about it. As a young college student myself, I know the passion and drive that many students have to make their world a better place to live in. Just by making the choice to receive a higher education shows the motivation many young people have to improve their lives. We all want a better America, and we all feel we know the ways to fix our system, so how is it that we forget the most important way to express our feelings on major issues? Mansfield University students need to vote on Tuesday, November 6, 2007.

Voting is the right given to us by the government to ensure that we stay a proper democracy. Voting is the mold that shapes this country into what it is today. College students seem to think that just because they may have a new found freedom by moving away from home, they do not need to vote to keep that freedom of choice.

Right now is the time to apply for absentee ballots. They are easy to obtain from a post office or any local politician. After you apply for an absentee ballot, it will come directly to your school mail box. To fill out the ballot it takes about five minutes of your time. Just slip the ballot back into the pre-addressed envelope and stick it in the mailbox outside of Manser. College students do not need money to vote, and a little time on the internet will inform you of candidates stand on controversial issues.

Voting is just one of the outlets Americans have to let their voices be heard and tell the government what they are thinking. Do not waste this precious liberty that is free for all. On Tuesday, November 6, 2007 all people, but especially college students, need to vote. Could you image how much better our country would be if everyone's voice was heard?

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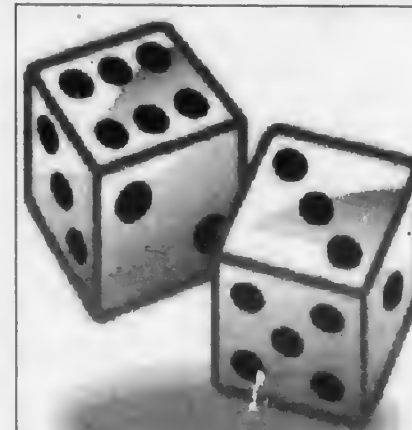
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How well do you know CORPSE BRIDE ?

Answer the questions below to test your knowledge

- Who speaks the line "Can a heart still break after it's stopped beating?"
 - Victor Van Dort
 - The Corpse Bride
 - Barkis Bittern
 - Bonejangles
 - What type of materials were the puppet made out of?
 - Pipecleaners and Styrofoam
 - Felt and Construction paper
 - Clay and Paint
 - Stainless Steel and Silicone
 - The quote "a murder most foul" spoken by Bonejangles is from which Shakespearean play?
 - Hamlet
 - Macbeth
 - The Tempest
 - Othello
 - The piano player Bonejangle's band is based off of what real-life musician?
 - Stevie Wonder
 - Ray Charles
 - Beethoven
 - Maynard Ferguson
 - The scene in the woods where the Corpse Bride's arm falls off and crawls toward Victor is a reference to what other movie?
 - Beetlejuice
 - Charlie and the Chocolate Factory
 - Pirates of the Caribbean: The Curse of the Black Pearl
 - The Nightmare Before Christmas
 - How long was the film shoot for Corpse Bride?
 - 45 weeks
 - 55 weeks
 - 65 weeks
 - 75 weeks
 - How tall were the puppets?
 - 10-12 centimeters
 - 14-16 centimeters
 - 20-22 centimeters
 - 25-28 centimeters
- How did you do? 5-7 correct means you are a Corpse Bride expert. 3-5 correct means you are an average Tim Burton fan. Below 3 correct means either you haven't seen the movie or weren't paying attention.



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On the Sidelines with RYANNE HIGGINS: Field hockey All-American

By NICOLE HAGAN
Flashlight Sports Writer

The 2007 field hockey season is over for Mansfield University. Even though the team won their final game of the regular season, their record wasn't enough of an edge to surpass Shippensburg University for the final spot in the playoffs. They ended the season with a 7-7 record in the PSAC conference and 11-7 record overall. While their conference record matched Shippensburg's, Shippensburg's wins against number one IUP and number two Kutztown gave them the final playoff spot over Mansfield.

Mansfield's final game of the season against Slippery Rock ended in a 5-0 win. While the win wasn't enough, it exemplifies the effort and determination that the team put into the season until the very last second. According to Samantha Schrum, a sophomore at Mansfield University, their collective and persistent efforts do not go unrecognized.

"The field hockey team may not have won every game, but when they played they always tried their hardest to be successful, which is what really matters," Schrum said.

Within this collective "family," RYANNE HIGGINS, a Mansfield University criminal justice major, made her presence known. In the final game, the senior forward scored two goals for the Mountaineers. Her involvement in the team and persistent effort also did not go unrecognized. She finished her college field hockey career with 42 goals; the second-most goals in school history. Additionally, she ends the season with 28 career assists, second only to Gretchen Reschke who holds the record with 30.

RYANNE's accomplishments are not confined within the 2007 season. In 2006, she set the Mansfield University record for points in a season with 48 along with the record for assists in a season with 12. Her 18 goals that year were the second most in school history. Furthermore, RYANNE is a Mansfield University Presidential and PSAC Scholar Athlete. Ranked in the top five in points, goals, and assists in the PSAC, she also earned All-American honors. Starting in every game the last two seasons, she's contributed to the team's overall success and helped get them to their first PSAC playoff berth in 2006. Her aggressive style of play and passion for the game adds to the team's offensive strength and the combined effort to live up to last year's success.

While I wanted to personally meet with one of the field hockey team's major contributors, due to the jam-packed schedule of the final three games of the season, I was only able to interview RYANNE via email. Nonetheless, her dedication to the sport and her field hockey "family" was exemplified through her comments.

Nicole Hagan: How long have you been playing field hockey?

RYANNE HIGGINS: I have been playing since seventh grade.

NH: Did you play any other sports in middle school, high school, club sports, etc?

RH: I played lacrosse for school as well as soccer, basketball and volleyball for club teams.

NH: Why did you decide upon field hockey and not soccer, basketball, or volleyball?

RH: I love playing other sports but I felt my "A" game was field hockey.

NH: For the aspiring Mansfield field hockey players, how do

you train to get prepared for the season?

RH: In the spring we practice as a team to improve our game for the fall. In the summer, I follow my coach's workout schedule and once in a while play some pick up games.

NH: What has been your most rewarding experience through college field hockey?

RH: Being named women's fall athlete of 2006 was a huge accomplishment in my career.

NH: What has been your most difficult task through college field hockey?

RH: The hardest thing is being far away from my family and not always having them there to cheer for me.

NH: Why did you decide to come to Mansfield University?

RH: My mom had a huge impact of my decision.

NH: How exactly did you Mom influence your decision? Did she also go to Mansfield?

RH: My mom had a big influence on me coming here because she knew this was a school that I would be able to excel in both academically and athletically. Mansfield also had a nice atmosphere when I first came here and the field hockey team was very inviting.

NH: What are your plans for after graduation?

RH: Hopefully I will be joining the Coast Guard.

NH: What will you take with you (achievements, memories, etc.) when you leave college?

RH: I will take with me the memories of my friends, my teammates and especially the memory of becoming a playoff team for the first time in Mansfield history.

NH: What motivates you?

RH: The things that motivate me include my teammates, hearing the fans cheer, and my family.

NH: Who would you say is your biggest influence and why?

RH: Elizabeth Humphreys is my biggest influence because her yelling on the sidelines makes me perform better.

NH: Who is Elizabeth Humphreys?

RH: My old teammate/ Roommate.

NH: What were some of your personal goals for this season?

RH: Making the playoffs and improving my performance.

NH: How did you plan on improving your performance? Were there any changes you made? What steps did you take to go about doing this?

RH: I planned to improve my performance by pushing



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior RYANNE HIGGINS finished second on the field hockey team in goals this year with 12 and also second on the team in points with 29. The team ended its regular season with a 5-0 win over Slippery Rock on Saturday.

myself to work harder than everyone else. I pushed myself to make opportunities on the field for my teammates and I always try to be there to back them up.

NH: What are some of the team's goals for this season?

RH: Scoring first and having more corners than our opponent.

NH: Would you explain to me what "having more corners than your opponent" means?

RH: It is an advantage to score...they are called when there is a foul inside the circle by the defense (if they intentionally hit the ball out of bounds, third party, if it hits their feet, etc.)

NH: Explain to me, in your own words, what it's like to be a part of the Mansfield Women's field hockey team.

RH: Playing for the field hockey team is an interesting ride with our ups and downs, but being part of this team means being part of a family.

NH: Anything you'd like to add?

RH: Balls out MUFH!

Basketball show skills at Mountie Madness

By ANINE STANLEY

Special to the Flashlight

On Friday about 300 spectators came out to witness the first glimpse of the 2007 versions of the Mansfield men's and women's basketball teams.

The coaches included President Maravene Loeschke and Dr. Bob Timko as coach of the White team and Athletic Director Roger Maisner and Mike Reid as coach of the Red team.

Loeschke and Timko's team had a five point lead at halftime, but Maisner and Reid's team came back in the second half to win by seven.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Kevin Hill scored 14.1 points a game last year for the basketball team and looks to lead the team to the playoffs this year.

"That was some of the most fun I've had in a long time," Maisner said. "I asked the players in the beginning if they wanted to win, and they said they did. I think I was a little stricter than they thought I would be. I just hope Dr. Loeschke doesn't give me and Mike Reid our pink slips for beating her."

Other activities that were held during this event were a three point shooting contest where four fans were able to get a chance to win a \$50 gift certificate to the campus bookstore.

The game was held to spike interest in the upcoming basketball season and to introduce the Men's and Women's basketball teams so everyone is aware of the players and new editions to the teams.

Courtney Brooks, who is a guard on the women's team said that she likes Mountie Madness.

"Mounties madness is fun; we are able to show off our team and hopefully get people more interested in coming to our games," Brooks said.

Both the men and the women have been working hard to prepare for the season.

Yuseff Carr, a new member of the Men's squad also commented on the event. "I had a great time at Mounties madness," Carr said. "Speaking as a freshman, this is an experience for people to get to know the new players



SPORTS INFORMATION

Junior Alicia Espigh returns after playing in just three games last year before getting injured. Espigh has made 86 three pointers in her career so far.

and it gives us an opportunity to see how basketball is played at the college level outside of practice."

The Mountaineer men open their season November 15 against Lemoyne College at Decker Gym.

The men's and women's teams have their PSAC home opener December 18 against Lock Haven University.

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Overall	23-19	20-22	25-17	17-25	27-15	26-16
Last Week	9-4	6-7	10-3	8-5	8-5	9-4
Colts@ Panthers	Panthers	Colts	Colts	Panthers	Colts	Colts
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Browns@ Rams	Browns	Browns	Rams	Browns	Browns	Rams
Raiders@ Titans	Titans	Titans	Titans	Titans	Titans	Raiders
Bills@ Jets	Bills	Jets	Jets	Jets	Jets	Bills
Texans@ Chargers	Chargers	Chargers	Chargers	Chargers	Chargers	Chargers
Jaguars@ Buccaneers	Buccaneers	Jaguars	Buccaneers	Buccaneers	Buccaneers	Buccaneers
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Saints@ 49ers	Saints	Saints	Saints	Saints	Saints	49ers

Cross Country strong in Rochester with five runners finishing in top 25

By SHANE CHAPMAN
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield University men and women's cross country teams both had strong performances at the Rochester Invitational last Saturday.

The men finished in third place out of 13 teams, while the women came in seventh place out of 13 teams.

The men's team was led by its three seniors, Chris Cummings, Josh Wooten and Dave Stanford. The seniors helped lead the men past the host team, the University of Rochester, a team they never finished ahead of before.

"Rochester is a perennial powerhouse, someone we've never beaten, head coach Mike Rohl said. "I'm very proud of them."

Cummings, Wooten, and Sanford all finished in the top 25 in the field of 114 runners. Cummings led the team with a second place finish, six seconds off the lead with a time of 25:23. Wooten finished the race in 25:55 in eighth place while Sanford finished in 22 place with a time of 26:35.

"The three seniors did very well. Chris is a very strong athlete, a top three runner," Rohl said. "Josh has been finishing very strong, running his final two miles in under ten minutes, while Dave keeps closing the gap between himself and the other two seniors."

While the seniors led the team, the men got a strong performance from Freshman Chris Bogenschutz. Bogenschutz finished in 28 with a time of 26:57.

"Chris is very strong and motivated. He expects a lot from himself. He did very well," Rohl said.

Rounding out the top five for the men was Joe Stanek who completed the race in 27:09, which was good for a 33 place finish.

Duke Opdyke finished 30 seconds behind Stanek in 45 place. Bret Kilfner finished in 57 with a time of 28:04 and Sean Vollenweider finished with a time of 28:44 for a 73 place finish.

John-Mark Stoltz finished with a time of 28:52 which put him in 78.

The women were led again by freshman Brenae Edwards, as well as

Clarissa Correll. Both women finished the day in the top 25. The 5k race included 164 runners.

Edwards was the 20 woman to cross the finish line while Correll was 25 with times of 19:42 and 19:53.

"Clarissa has done very well the past couple weeks. She keeps getting closer to Brenae," Rohl said.

Jessica Wagner was next to finish for the mountaineers, with a 31 place finish. Wagner ended with a time of 20:03. Irene Primer finished 63 for the mountaineers, finishing the race in 20:57.

Sarah Pinkowski finished the 5k course in a time of 21:08 which put her in 73. Tricia Learn finished 27 seconds behind her for a 86 place finish.

Freshman Ryan Kelly clocked in at 21:58 for a 95 place finish. Samantha Goldwait finished the race with a time of 22:35 which put her in 114.

The men and women look to keep their momentum going into the PSAC Championships which will be held on October 27th at Kutztown University.

"We're really excited about PSAC's," Rohl said. "The men and women both feel pretty good and are healthy and they expect to do well."

"I think the men can finish in the top five and as high as third and the women finish in the top seven and push to get in the top five," Rohl said.

"I think that the rest of the PSAC conference underestimates the abilities of our women's team," Rohl said. "We have never finished outside of the top ten during my time here and we don't expect that to happen now. We are looking forward to this race to show the conference what we can do."



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Dave Sanford finished in 22 place at the Rochester Invite to give Mansfield three runners in the top 25. Sanford, along with Chris Cummings and Josh Wooten give Mansfield a solid top three.

Soccer loses tough game to East Stroudsburg in overtime

By CHRISTOPHER BOSWELL
Special to the Flashlight

The Mountaineer Soccer team traveled to Bloomsburg last Saturday. Entering the game the Mountaineers knew that Bloomsburg was statistically better than them. However, this did not matter to the ladies. "This year's team is an accomplished team compared to the other teams in Mansfield's history," head coach Tim Dempsey said.

Most of the first half of the game the score was 0-0. But with five seconds left in the half, Jessica Bender put the ball into the back of the net from an assist from teammate Jen McLean to give Bloomsburg a 1-0 halftime lead.

"That shot took away a lot of our momentum," Dempsey said, "but the girls didn't quit."

In the second half Bloomsburg's Kristine Preski scored a goal on to give Bloomsburg a 2-0 lead. There was no more scoring and the final was 2-0. Mansfield goalie Justine Segear made six saves.

Two days later, in Shippensburg the ladies met a tough opponent, losing to Shippensburg 6-1.

"When we played Shippensburg, our effort as a team was flat and we did not play a smart game," Dempsey said, "It was one of those efforts you just want to put behind you and move on."

Mansfield had 12 shots on the day, one that resulted in a goal from sophomore Katie Parsnik. She put in an unassisted goal in the 66th minute of the game. It was Parsnik's first ever collegiate goal.

The only other time the ball saw the back of the goal was for Shippensburg. At 9:36 in the first half Shippensburg drew first



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Colleen Corcoran scored her 17 goal of her career against East Stroudsburg on Saturday.

blood off a shot from Gayle Kuntzmann. The second goal was from Amanda Greenawalt off of an assist from Sarah Tagye.

Shippensburg scored four goals in the second half to make the final score 6-1.

Mansfield goalie Justine Segear made one save while freshman Samantha Deliere made three.

On October 20, Mansfield played its closest game of the week when they lost to East Stroudsburg in overtime 2-1.

Colleen Corcoran scored her first goal of the season off of a high kick from teammate Robyn Travisano which Corcoran headed into the goal at the 10:51 mark in the first half.

"Colleen's biggest frustration would be that she hasn't been able to score goals as consistent as she has in the past," Dempsey said, "None of which is to blame on a lack of effort because she is one of the hardest workers in practice and in games."

East Stroudsburg got on the board with a goal by Janel Cleffi. The two teams were tied 1-1 going into halftime and the game remained that way for the rest of regulation.

In overtime, East Stroudsburg's Lynda Hicks scored the game winner off a rebound from Kaitlyn Buckley 3:22 into overtime to make the final score 2-1. Segear made 14 saves on the day.

The Mountaineers will finish the season when they host Millersville on Wednesday October 24 and Kutztown on Saturday October 27.

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Field Hockey beats Slippery Rock on Senior day, just miss PSAC playoffs

BY ERIC BOHANNON

Flashlight Sports Editor

The Mansfield field hockey team ended their season on a strong note winning their last two games of the season, however, it wasn't quite enough to get a return spot in the PSAC conference playoffs.

Going into the last game of the season, the Mountaineers needed a win over Slippery Rock and a loss by Shippensburg to make the playoffs. Shippensburg beat number one ranked IUP 3-2 in overtime to solidify their spot in the playoffs and knock out Mansfield, even though Mansfield won 5-0 on senior day over Slippery Rock.

The day started off well for Mansfield as they honored their five seniors before the game Liz Humphreys, Christi Carter, RYANNE Higgins, Shana Markwis and Keely Jarrett. The fun didn't stop as Mansfield took control of the game early and didn't let go.

Jarrett started the scoring off in the eighth minute of the game scoring off a pass from Brittany Kostishon.

Three minutes later Jarrett gave a pass to Higgins off a penalty corner and Higgins shot went in over the Slippery Rock goalies head for a 2-0 Mountaineer lead.

Mansfield kept the pressure on as sophomore Breanne Tobin scored to make it a 3-0 game. Kelly Klimkowski hit a long ball from the side that was deflected by Higgins which went to Tobin's stick who put it in the back of the net for the 3-0 lead.

Tobin once again put Mansfield on the board in the 24th minute of the game off another assist to give Mansfield a 4-0 lead. The goal was Tobin's team leading 15 goal of the season.

Higgins stretched the lead to 5-0 with her second goal of the game, coming off a pass from Kayla Carter.

Mansfield goalie Brianna DeLuca made four saves for her second shutout of the season.

On Thursday afternoon, the Mountaineers hosted Houghton College in a non-conference game. The Mountaineers got off to a quick start by scoring in the first three minutes of the game when Keely Jarrett scored off a rebound for the 1-0 lead.

Higgins gave Mansfield a two goal lead when she scored off a rebound in the 30th minute.

Houghton came back in the second half with two goals by Elizabeth Mueller within a minute of each other to tie the game. That's how the game stayed the rest of the second half to put the game into overtime.

The Mountaineers controlled the overtime period out shooting Houghton 6-0 and Carlyn Spangler scored the game winner with 8:17 to play off a pass from Higgins for the 3-2 win.

Sophomore goalie Hayley Tuckey made three saves for Mansfield picking up her second win of the season.

The Mountaineers played number three Kutztown on Wednesday at Spaulding field. The game was scoreless for the first 33 minutes of the game until Kutztown scored with less than two minutes to go until halftime for a 1-0 lead.

Kutztown added three goals in a six minute stretch to increase their lead to 4-0.

Mansfield got on the board in the 63rd minute on a goal by Higgins who scored with an assist from Jarrett. It was not enough as Mansfield fell 4-1.



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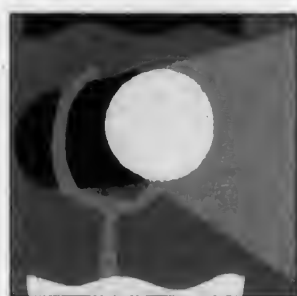
Sophomore Brittany Kostishon had an assist Saturday in the win over Slippery Rock.

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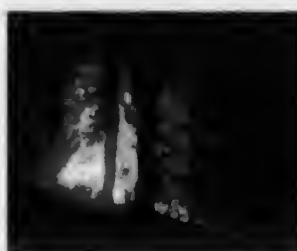
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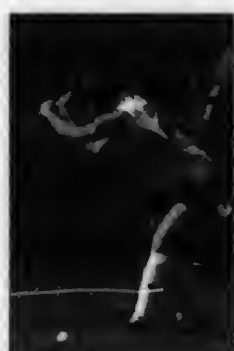
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Campus police chief debunks rumors

By LAURA HALL
Flashlight Copy Editor

The Mansfield University Police Department is not dropping to one officer as was rumored, but it is going undercover.

Christine Shegan is Chief of the university police department and Director of Police Services. She oversees the writing of citations, summary offences, parking issues, criminal investigation, misconduct, safety escorts and medical transport. She has been in the department for 11 years and has been chief since 1997.

"We currently have 10 commissioned officers, including me, and one security/dispatch officer," Shegan said. "We schedule a minimum of two officers [for] each shift every day of the year and sometimes have three officers working a shift. There are always three officers on duty Friday and Saturday night."

The only time the number of officers on duty will change is during breaks that the campus has. Since students aren't on campus, not as many officers are needed on duty, so the department may drop to one officer and one dispatcher at a time. This allows the department to accommodate for



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The campus police station is located in Doane.

officers' requests for leave.

Mansfield does not have a minimum number of officers required to be on duty at a time, but to function the department needs at least two.

"For the size of the university and the number of students that attend here, we're at an acceptable level of officers," Shegan said.

The Mansfield University Police Department has never had to cut a member of their force for lack of funds and doesn't foresee that happening in the immediate future.

"We preserve allocations for funding," She-

gan said. "Vacancies have always been filled in. I don't foresee the administration not being supportive [of the department]."

The only time staffing may be low is when the officers are training, officers on duty are busy handling other problems or when there are gaps in the schedule and there is no student to work the front desk. During times like these people calling the Campus Police Department may be told that no one can come help them because there is only one officer on duty, however, Shegan says that this isn't true.

"The officers are there, but they are tied up handling other issues," Shegan said. "What the dispatcher should tell the caller is that, for example, an officer can't be there to help them for a half hour."

In addition to having officers on duty, the Campus Police Department employs 18-21 student workers who assist the department with parking for special events and sitting at the front desk in Doane, dispatching calls.

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Haunting experts visit Mansfield University with proof of the supernatural

By JAMIE CURTIS
Flashlight Writer

Ghost Hunters Inc. visited Mansfield University on Oct. 29, 2007 to share local and national clips as a way to intrigue others about the afterlife.

Ghost Hunters Inc. is a paranormal research group. It began in 1998 with Jason Gowin a Mansfield University graduate, Bill Angove, Greg Nuekerk, Nick Foust, Matt Ulkins, and Mansfield University senior Milton Clark.

Ghost Hunters Inc. (GHI) was invited by the Student Activities Office (SAO) after a survey indicated that there was student interest in supernatural phenomena.

Chris Reed is a Graduate Assistant for SAO and helps schedule special events. "When we heard about Ghost Hunters Inc. Student Activities jumped right on it," Reed said. "We felt that this event would provide a lot of value and intrigue for the students, especially since there are Mansfield University students in the group. Plus,

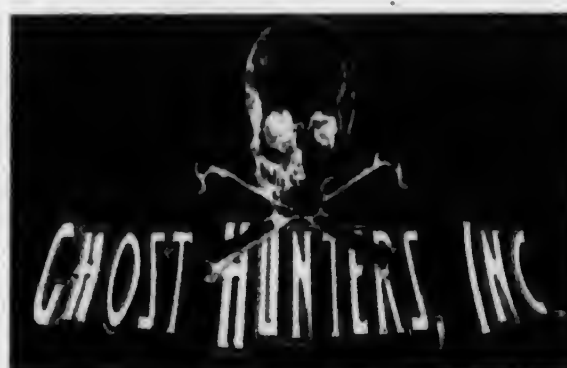


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Mansfield University student were entertained with tales of hauntings on Monday, Oct. 29.

this is the first year that the event has taken place at the university."

Stevie Crawford is a first year student at Mansfield University.

"I've always found this sort of thing fascinating. Especially, after my own experience with the supernatural," Crawford said. "I wonder why some people are tied to a certain place after death."

GHI shared clips of famous hauntings such as the Amityville house, the Rosewood Asylum in Owings Mills, Maryland and various places in Gettysburg which is "like Disneyland for ghost hunters," Gowin said.

The team has used infrared, digital and video cameras, as well as electronic voice recordings and electromagnetic field meters (EMF) to document supernatural activity.

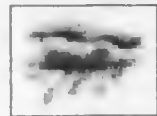
In previous years Gowin and his team have worked with George Lutz, who was victimized with his family when they experienced supernatural activities in their Amityville home during the mid 1970's. Lutz was a mentor to Gowin on how to interact with the spirit world.

Local research includes the Butler Music Center and North Hall at Mansfield University, the Barclay Cemetery in Canton Pa, and the Old Burlington Methodist Church in Bradford County where the team had their first encounter with a hostile spirit.

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Weekly
Weather

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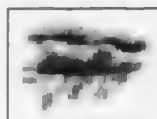
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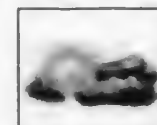
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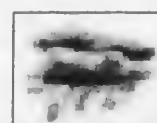
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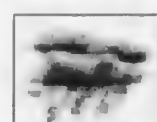
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WEDNESDAY



Showers

High: 50 Low: 36

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Police Beat

October 24, 2007-

Joshua Gulas, 18, and Brett Byars, 18, were in violation of The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device & Cosmetic Act. They are being Judicially Referred to Residence Life.

The Controlled Substance, Drug, Device & Cosmetic Act states that it is illegal to use, dispense, deliver or distribute a controlled substance. Penalties vary and are dealt with through the local court system.

Info-To-Go Campus Bulletin Board Mansfield University

The strategic planning committee will be receiving input from everyone in the community to examine the University Mission, develop a vision for the future and draft a set of strategic goals consistent with the mission and vision. The strategic planning committee focus group will be meeting in North Manser on Oct. 29 at 9-10:30 a.m., Nov. 2 at 1-2:30 p.m., Nov. 9 at 2-3:30 p.m., Nov. 13 at 1-2:30 p.m. and Nov. 19 from 4-5:30 p.m. Students are encourage to come to the informal brainstorming sessions.

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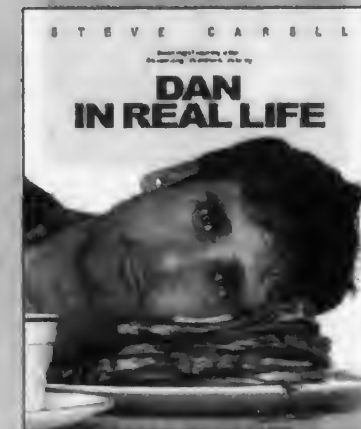
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- 1.) **Jimmy Eat World** *Chase This Light*
- 2.) **Across The Universe** Motion Picture Soundtrack
- 3.) **Colbie Caillat** *Coco*
- 4.) **Bruce Springsteen** *Magic*
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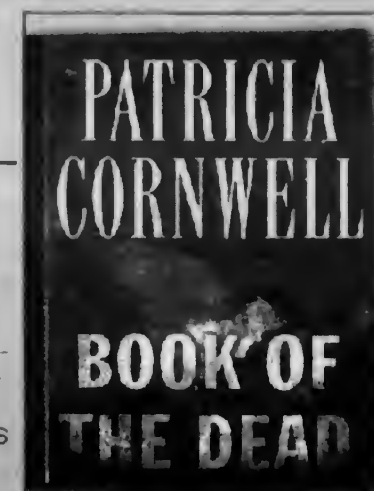
- 1.) **Saw IV**, R, Tobin Bell, Scott Patterson
- 2.) **Dan In Real Life**, PG-13, Steve Carell, Dane Cook
- 3.) **30 Days of Night**, R, Josh Hartnett, Melissa George
- 4.) **The Game Plan**, PG, The Rock, Madison Pettis
- 5.) **Why Did I Get Married?**, PG-13, Tyler Perry

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Spotlight on Campus:



By **REBECCA HAZEN**

Flashlight Writer

The Advocacy Program at Mansfield University assists victims of sexual assault, dating violence and sexual harassment.

The Advocacy Program webpage states that, "Whatever happened, however it happened, whenever it happened, you do not have to deal with it alone." The program offers 24-hour confidential services to women and men who may have experienced date rape, coerced sex, acquaintance rape, sexual harassment or relationship violence.

Elizabeth Shaffer is the Advocacy Program Director and the advisor of the Mansfield University Advocacy Association. "The purpose of the advocacy is to provide these services to victims and to reduce risks for college students," Shaffer said.

The Advocacy offers emotional assistance, counseling,

referrals, accompaniment to the police or hospital and options counseling to let the person know what his or her options are. Information is available, and everything is free and confidential. "What we mostly do is listen," Shaffer said.

The Advocacy Program is run by the Mansfield University Advocacy Association. MUAA is an organization that deals with educating the student body about sexual and gender violence. Students who are in MUAA may get advocacy training so they can help the victims.

LaQuicha Brown is the treasurer of MUAA. "I like the environment and the fact that we all have something in common. We want to help," Brown said.

MUAA raises awareness in many different ways. "We have bulletin boards, hold conferences, host speakers, sit in Manser and hand out condoms and we speak to UNV classes," Brown said.

Many programs and activities on campus are sponsored by the Advocacy and MUAA. These include V-Day in conjunction with the "Vagina Monologues," which is a series of

Lecture series event raises awareness about the Islamic culture and society

By **NICOLE THOMAS**

Flashlight Writer

Asra Nomani talked about ethical challenges of the 21st Century to a students and faculty audience at a lecture series event in Allen Auditorium, Oct. 24, 2007 at 7 p.m.

Asra Nomani is a visiting professor from Georgetown University. She is a reporter, an Islamic rights activist, mother and the author of "Standing Alone at Mecca: An American Woman's Struggle for the Soul of Islam."

Using her personal stories and experiences Nomani delivered a message about the values and beliefs she holds today. She explained how those values stemmed from her life in a small town, past and present relationships and her travels to her birthplace. Any member of the audience can relate to Nomani's personal experiences.

Sarah Anderson is a sophomore in the Academic Exploration Program. "It was like you were part of her world and you could relate to everything she went through, you felt everything she felt," Anderson said.

Nomani compared the United States to other countries saying that our government sees it fit to let a person decide whether or not to make an ethical decision. Whatever an individual does, they have to live with the consequences. On the other hand, other countries see it fit to make an ethical decision for their citizens. If anyone is caught violating the law, they are punished.

When faced with life altering decisions, like whether to stand up for herself or flee from discrimination she remained honest to herself, family and religion.

"Make choices for yourself, take solid values around you and allow them to impact you, one person can make a difference in the world," Nomani said.

THE ADVOCACY PROGRAM



PHOTO COURTESY OF MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY
MUAA educates students about sexual violence.

monologues read by women about their vaginas. They hosted the play "Whispers," a one woman play by Marsha Becker, which was just performed two weeks ago. The advocacy also hosts conferences for men and women that deal with gender issues and creating respectful environments for both genders.

The Advocacy and MUAA is sponsoring a campus wide clue game based off of the Clue murder-mystery board game. It is supposed to be an educational outreach and people can compete in teams. People will see four scenes dealing with sexual assault, sexual harassment, dating and domestic violence and stalking. It will be a "who did it game." The game will be held on Nov. 14 and students can contact Shaffer at eshaffer@mansfield.edu to register their team.

Anyone who would like more information can contact Shaffer or go to the Women's Center at 102 Pinecrest.

'POLICE'

Also, Campus Police officers have confirmed that they do sometimes go undercover around campus, depending on the situation.

"Putting officers in plain clothes may not always be successful here because it's a small university [and the officers could be recognized]," Shegan said. But for some cases it is better than using an officer in uniform.

"The purpose [of using undercover officers] is to provide added security during sensitive investigations, respond to requests for assistance from members of the campus community and be observers of activity in a more discreet manner than a uniform allows," Shegan said. "They will provide this across campus wherever and whenever there is a need."

"Officers in uniform on regular patrols are used far more often than officers in plainclothes as uniformed officers on patrol are more of a deterrent to criminal activity," Shegan said.

Campus Police want to make Mansfield University a safe campus.

"Crime prevention and community policing continue to be the mainstays of our department, as we would prefer to prevent crime whenever possible," Shegan said. "In today's climate on campus and in the world, the safety of people on campus is upper most."

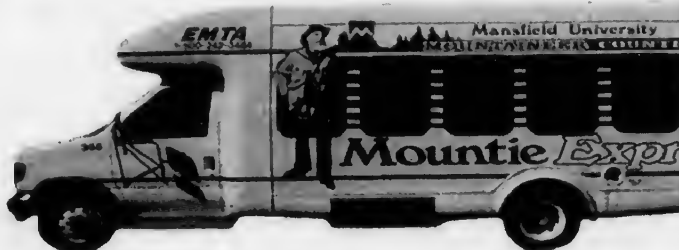
'GHOSTS'

The Team has traveled all over the United States and parts of Canada to research supernatural events. "A lot of people deal with this and if we can shed a little light on the subject or help them with what they are going through then that makes what we're doing worthwhile. Plus ghost hunting for us is a fun thing to do," Gowin said. "Sometimes weird [stuff] happens... and when it does who are you going to call?"

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Internet increase makes 'gamers' and professors happy

By ASHLEE FREDERICK

Flashlight Writer

The bandwidth at Mansfield University increased from 15 megabits to 65 megabits last month.

Bandwidth determines the speed of traffic between websites and the rest of the internet.

Bryan Wenrich is a junior computer science major from Galeton. "The advantages of the increased bandwidth are that web pages load almost instantaneously. We can download files quickly, and service is provided to all the students on campus," Wenrich said.

Wenrich has some concerns regarding the regulation of the new space. Last year he received a violation for using too much of the bandwidth, and the IT administrators "kicked him offline without a warning," Wenrich said.

This year warnings are given when a person is using too much of the bandwidth. "I recommend they tell us what the bandwidth limit is for an individual user. If someone is downloading a game demo or something with large files, the longer you are downloading at such a rate, the more likely you will be flagged for using the bandwidth," Wenrich said.

Brian Richlin, a senior from Towanda, is studying accounting at Mansfield University.

"When surfing online the speed is about the same [as in years past] but with gaming the lag is less," Michlin said.

Dr. Dan McKee has been an instructor in the computer sciences division at Mansfield University for the past three years.

"Toward the beginning of the semester the internet was unbearably slow. In one of my classes I was trying to load a video clip which would not load. Since the upgrade, downloads are reliable and much faster," McKee said.

"The Blackboard system is hosted off campus and is where students can load examples or power-point slides in the classroom," McKee said. "Since the broadband increase there has been a noticeable increase in the speed and functioning of Blackboard, especially when there are many people trying to access something at the same time. The amount of time spent waiting, as well as the time spent away from teaching, has gone down."

"I had some complaints from my students at the beginning of the semester. When I asked after the upgrade, they told me that the connection was better," McKee said.

Store in Wellsboro outfits hunters, campers and outdoor enthusiasts

By DANIEL BANKE

Special to the Flashlight

Wild Asaph Outfitters, a popular outdoors and camping equipment store, recently moved to a new location on Main Street in Wellsboro.

Wild Asaph Outfitters is a popular destination for area hikers, backpackers, and campers and they specialize in the latest outdoor gear. As one of the largest outfitters in the area, business is booming. They recently moved from their former location on Route Six, two miles East of Wellsboro, to a more prominent location on central Main Street, between the Shabby Rue and Needles Quilt Shop.

Elizabeth Burkowitz, store owner, said business "was slow on route six." She likes the new location, "because it's bigger [and] we can stock and display more merchandise. Being in town we get much more attention from Wellsboro's tourist industry. Much more traffic comes through here."

She says her favorite part of the new location is that she can walk to work. Burkowitz has had high expectations for the new location, and thus far sales have been up quite a bit. The new location is much larger than the previous one, and all corners

of the space have been utilized. It is filled with the latest outdoor equipment, from t-shirts and outdoor apparel in the front, to high-capacity backpacks in the rear.

Burkowitz said that she would like to see more Mansfield University students come in and that she would be interested in helping outdoor groups from the college fulfill their gear needs.

From backpacks to snowshoes and rock climbing gear, Wild Asaph is for both local outdoor enthusiasts and tourists who come to enjoy the more rugged areas of Tioga County.

Wild Asaph sells and rents equipment and provides their patrons with suggestions of where to go and even supplies complimentary maps. "We don't just sell hard goods, like backpacks and sleeping bags. We have a lot of clothing and footwear," Burkowitz said. "We stock a lot of 'Life is Good' t-shirts and clothing. You don't have to be into the outdoors to enjoy shopping here."

Wild Asaph Outfitters is at 71 Main Street, Wellsboro. For more information call 570-724-5155.

CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Nov. 1 - 11 a.m.-1:30 p.m. Graduate Student Rego. Room 307 AHUB - 3 p.m. MPA (Mansfield's Professional Association) Meeting in Jazzman's Cafe, AHUB - "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show	2 - 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Open House 1st Floor, 2nd Floor, 3rd Floor, 4th Floor - 11 a.m.-7 p.m. Evening Wooded, Sayre Woods, Forest - "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show	3 - 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Open House 1st Floor, 2nd Floor, 3rd Floor, 4th Floor - 1 p.m.-6 p.m. Open House for EUSPE majors, Room - 6 p.m. 100% LEAP Dept. showing "Freedom Writers" Allen Hall	4 - 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Open House 1st Floor, 2nd Floor, 3rd Floor, 4th Floor - 1 p.m.-6 p.m. Open House for EUSPE majors, Room - 6 p.m. 100% LEAP Dept. showing "Freedom Writers" Allen Hall	5 - 4 p.m.-6:45 p.m. Campus Recreation Sports Shop Job Search Session 101 AHUB - "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show	6 - 12:10 p.m.-2:30 p.m. HIV Testing/ Counseling in 101 AHUB, call 570-724-2511 - 2 p.m.-4 p.m. Employment Office, 3rd Floor, 101 AHUB - "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show	7 - "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show
8 - 4 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Health Care Job Fair (Sayre Campus) - "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show	9 - 7:30 p.m. Mansfield Brass Quintet - "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show - 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Visitation Day, Steadman Theater	10 - Music 8 p.m. Jazz Ensemble	11 - Music 3 p.m. Orchestra Concert	12 - "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show	13 - "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show	14 - 4 p.m. Lecture Series Event by Edward Wicks, "Fighting Sexual Stereotypes in Shakespeare's Titus Andronicus" and Dr. Kristen Sanner, "An Unexpected Audience: Discovering the Student's Perspective in Academic Research, 317 AHUB

What in the world? News in a flash by Carrie and Danelle



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Catholics are in danger of tarnished reputations again.

Vatican sex sting has Catholics in trouble again

By CARRIE GOODYEAR &
DANELLE MILLER

News Co-Editors

A high ranking church official in Rome was caught on video tape making advances on another man, the tape was then broadcasted on Italian television.

Monsignor Tommaso Stenico was filmed during an encounter with a youth he was reported to have met in a homosexual internet chat room. Stenico invited the young man to his office after hours where they engaged in a conversation about homosexuality.

Stenico is on the video tape as saying, "No, I don't consider [homosexuality] a sin." The youth then questioned how Stenico could ignore the church's teaching that homosexual acts are sinful. Stenico cut the meeting short and showed the young man to the door. Stenico then placed his hand on the back of his leg and said, "You're so hot."

The encounter was caught on tape as a part of an investigation into gay Catholic priests. The producers of the segment heavily disguised the pictures and voices of Stenico and the young man, but some Vatican officials recognized Stenico's office from the tape. The officials then confronted the priest and suspended him.

Stenico denies that he is gay and claimed he was only pretending in order to gather information about people he believes are involved in a Satanic plot to discredit the church. The alleged plot is to discredit the church by seducing priests into homosexuality.

"It was nothing more than an experiment," Stenico said. "a study about the theme, and I have fallen in the trap, but I will explain it to my superiors."

Stenico will have the opportunity to defend himself in front of the Vatican disciplinary tribunal. However, his story is unlikely to convince a skeptical public.

The case raised questions about the extent of homosexuality in the Vatican. There are those who dismiss Stenico's explanation believe the priest may be a part of a small 'underground' gay community of Vatican officials. One unidentified Vatican is quoted as saying, "it's not a formal network through which they are able to protect themselves." An unnamed Priest states, "Rome's famous for [homosexuality]."

French citizens arrested for kidnapping African children, claiming they were orphans from Darfur

By CARRIE GOODYEAR &
DANELLE MILLER

News Co-Editors

Six French citizens were charged with kidnapping after they tried to fly 103 African children from the remote borderlands with Sudan.

The French citizens bandaged the children to make them look injured and claimed the children were Darfur orphans in need of rescuing. The case threatens to hinder aid efforts helping hundreds of thousands of Darfur refugees. It is also likely to intensify local suspicions about the goodwill of humanitarian workers.

Authorities detained 17 Europeans after the French group calling itself Zoe's Ark attempted to fly the African children to Europe.

Pascale Andreani is the spokesperson for Foreign Ministry. "According to initial information there seems to be many Chadian children and even many who are not orphans," Andreani said.

The six French nationals will be charged and face up to 20 years in Chadian prison with hard labor if they are convicted. Three French journalists traveling with the 'Zoe's Ark' members and a seven-member flight crew were charged with being an accomplice in the alleged crime.

300,000 Darfur refugees are living in camps along the Sudanese border. The conflict in Darfur has left more than 200,000 people dead and 2.5 million people displaced from their homes. The terrain where most of 2.5 million has been displaced is along the edge of the Sahara Desert and is considered one of the remotest and least hospitable places anywhere.

Idriss Deby is the President of Chad. "I am shocked by the acts of Zoe's Ark, which is trafficking children under cover of humanitarian assistance," Deby said.

The Zoe's Ark affair has been a major embarrassment for France. French Prime Minister, Francois Fillon on Tuesday called the group "Condemnable" and expressed hope that the case didn't discredit other non-governmental organizations doing "remarkable work" in Chad and Darfur -- "which now are suffering suspicion and violence."

German student finds a surprise between the cushions of a second-hand couch

By CARRIE GOODYEAR

News Co-Editor

A student who bought a pullout couch for \$215 at a flea market in the Berlin found a painting worth 100 times that amount hidden inside when she unfolded the sofa at home.

The tiny 10- by 15-inch oil painting sold for \$27,630 at a Hamburg art auction last weekend, Auction House Kunst Kettler said.

The auction house said Monday night that the piece was entitled "Preparation to Escape to Egypt," and was painted by an unknown artist close to Venetian painter Carlo Saraceni between 1605 and 1620.

The student's identity has not been revealed.



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The unknown artist was close to Carlo Saraceni.

This Week in Politics - National and Foreign News

By CHRISTIAN JOHNSON

Flashlight Writer

Turkish Military Kills 64 Rebels

Last week Turkish troops killed 64 Kurdish rebels on the Iraqi border, including 30 who were poised to attack a military unit. According to the Turkish military, they identified suspected terrorists near a military outpost in the province of Semdini near the border with Iraq. As a result, Turkish soldiers opened fire on the rebels with tanks and artillery. Turkey's president Abdullah Gul said his country is running out of patience and will not tolerate Kurdish rebels' use of Iraqi soil to launch terrorist attacks. Gul has also called on Iraq's Kurds and U.S.-led Coalition forces to take measures toward defeating the rebels. The Bush administration has urged Turkey to not launch an invasion because they believe it will completely destabilize Iraq's autonomous Kurdish North. Turkish Prime Minister Recep Tayyip Erdogan commented on the administration's advice: "The Bush Administration might wish that we do not carry out a cross-border offensive, but we make the decision on what we have to do."

On Oct. 28 Turkish troops killed 15 Kurdish guerillas in the Kurdish province of Tunceli. The province is not on the Iraqi border but within Turkey itself, where Kurdish separatists have been fighting Turkish forces for decades. Kurdistan Worker's Party (PKK) is the organization that has been staging these attacks against Turkey since 1984. Over the past month, PKK fighters have killed at least 42 people, including 30 Turkish soldiers in two large-scale ambushes. The PKK was founded in 1974 as a Marxist-Leninist organization calling for a separate Kurdish state. There are approximately 3,000 PKK fighters based in Northern Iraq and another several thousands believed to be in Turkey.

Rice Ambushed by Anti-War Activist

Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice was ambushed by a leader of the feminist anti-war group Code Pink as she was about to speak at a House Committee on Foreign Affairs hearing on Oct. 24. Desiree Anita Ali-Fairooz of Los Angeles confronted Rice by waving her red-painted hands in front of Rice while screaming, "The Blood of millions of Iraqis is on your hands!" At the same time, other Code Pink members held up signs that read "Blood on Your Hands." Rice main-



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Condoleezza Rice was taunted by members of Code Pink who claimed Rice was responsible for the deaths of "millions of Iraqis."

tained her composure as Ali-Fairooz and the other Code Pink members were arrested. "We've reached a new level of protest around here. It's one thing to chant a slogan," a congressional staffer said. "It's quite another to come running at the secretary of state wearing faux blood."

The name "Code Pink" pokes fun at the Bush Administration's Department of Homeland Security's color-coded alert system. Code Pink was also the center of recent criticism after they staged protests at military hospitals such as Walter Reed Medical Center in Washington, D.C.

Colbert Shows Up in Polls

Comedian Stephen Colbert, who recently announced he is running for President, is beginning to show up in some presidential polls. Colbert said he plans to run in both the Republican and Democratic primaries in his home state of South Carolina. The



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satirical writer and host of Comedy Central's "The Colbert Report" ranks behind Hillary Clinton, Barack Obama and John Edwards but is ahead of Bill Richardson, Dennis Kucinich and Mike Gravel. He is in a close race with Joe Biden who has 2.7 percent of the vote versus Colbert with 2.3, which is statistical tie in a poll with a five percent margin of error. However, Colbert is dead last among all Republican candidates, similar lower tier long shots Tom Tancredo and Ron Paul.

Colbert's show is known for its satirical representation of political pundit programs like "The O'Reilly Factor." It is a spin-off series from Colbert's time as a fake reporter for "The Daily Show with Jon Stewart." Although most people take Colbert's campaign as being nothing more than a joke, some federal election officials may take him seriously. If Colbert continues to have Doritos Co. as his official sponsor, the comedian might be violating federal laws that bar corporations from backing political campaigns. Massie Ritsch, communications director for Responsive Politics, heads the non-partisan group that tracks campaign finances. "How serious can you get running as a Joe? The Federal Election Commission doesn't have a great sense of humor," Ritsch said.

Implanted ID microchip creating stir among religious community

By KIMBERLEE BLOCKER

Flashlight Writer

In 2004, the Verichip Company created a new technology of microchip that can be implanted into human skin. The microchip is the size of a grain of rice and uses RFID (radio frequency identification) technology. The microchip has previously been used for runaway pets but Verichip is the first and only microchip approved by the FDA to be used for human beings.

Implanted on the back of the right arm, the microchip, contains a 16-digit code that when scanned will give physicians or emergency medical staff access to personal identification or what information patients want uploaded for physicians to know.

In a documented press release about the advantages of the microchip, Nicole Philbin, the spokeswoman for the Verichip Corporation stated that the microchip will save physicians time when saving a patient's life who is unknown.

"Verichip gives them peace of mind that, if they're unconscious, they'll be taken care of. And even if they're not unconscious, it saves time. And time is of the essence in the emergency room. An estimated 98,000 people die in the hospital each year, just waiting to be identified and to receive treatment,"

Philbin said.

Though the microchip may be able to help physicians receive their patient's information at a speedier pace, problems still arise concerning the microchip's safety.

The possible problems include that the microchip could be vulnerable to hackers because of its lack of code complexity. Another issue is that according to the FDA, the implantation of the microchip could negatively affect patients. Patients may react to the microchip by infection or it may affect allergies. The issue of if the microchip being implanted improperly is also another big factor being questioned.

The microchip could also react to strong electrical fields in MRI machines. If the magnets used in MRI machines react to the microchip, the magnets could cause serious burns internally and externally.

Though some might not find a problem with the microchip, it has caused quite a stir among the religious community who call it the Mark of the Beast because it is inserted into the skin just as it is told in the Bible passages of the Revelations 14:9,10 and 13:16-17.

Kenny Banks, a practicing minister feels strongly against the use of the chip. "I will refuse that Satan mark until the day I die. I've always been told about the mark of the beast but I never thought it would be this soon. Of course it sounds



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The Verichip, the size of a grain of rice, is implanted into the arm to give quick access to identification.

tempting because it's the work of the devil, but anyone who is a true follower of God will know to resist this demonic chip," Banks said.

Though many are uncertain of the intentions of this microchip, Verichip has recently celebrated its 1,300 infant inserted with the infant protection chip, which is planted in newborns to prevent infant abduction in hospitals. To read more on the Verichip or the Infant chip make sure to log on to www.verichipcorp.com.

So-Cal fires force 500,000 from homes, arsonist hunt begins

By REBECCA HAZEN

Flashlight Writer

Wildfires have spread all through out Southern California in the past week due to raging Santa Ana winds, but are now being contained.

To date, the wildfires have destroyed 506,050 acres including at least 1,700 homes according to county authorities. The fires have claimed the lives of fourteen people: seven people due to deadly burns, and seven due to sickness, age and accident. There have been 71 injuries to firefighters, and 27 to civilians.

An estimated 500,000 to one million people were forced from their homes at the height of the fire danger on Wednesday. As many as 10,000 people sought refuge at the 50,000-seat Qualcomm Stadium, home to the NFL's San Diego Chargers.

At least two fires were started intentionally; one in Orange County, one in San Diego County, and two more have suspicious origins. Authorities said they were following leads in determining who set the Santiago Fire in Orange County. There is a reward offer of \$285,000 for information leading to the arrest of any persons responsible for the fire. The Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office said five people have been arrested and linked with various fires and they expect that number to rise.

Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger talked to the media about the arsonists. "I want everyone to understand that we will hunt down the people that are responsible for that, and we will arrest them. We will prosecute them to the full extent of the law. If I were one of the people who stated the fires I would not sleep soundly right now, because we're right behind you. If I would be you, turn yourself in," Schwarzenegger said.



The fires that have destroyed the homes of more than 500,000 people have started to die down thanks to cooler weather and substantial efforts by California firefighters.

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A state of emergency was declared on Oct. 22 in seven counties, opening the way for government aid.

Schwarzenegger announced that help would be given to victims of the fires. Cash grants of up to \$10,000 will be available to people who experienced damages, in addition to assistance provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

Cooler temperatures and rain towards the end of the week helped the firefighters battle the flames and with the number of uncontained fires now down to seven, many California residents were able to return to their homes.

The hardest hit area was San Diego County, where nine wildfires destroyed 450 square miles. 50,000 people are still waiting to return to their homes.

The wildfires were given perfect weather conditions to ignite. San Diego is currently in the midst of one of its driest spells in recorded history. The seasonal inland winds, called Santa Ana, were gusting up to 80 miles per hour, and only helped to fan the flames.

Schwarzenegger said Friday that the focus had shifted from crisis management to the rebuilding effort. "This first week was like a sprint, but the next phase is like a marathon," Schwarzenegger said in Sacramento. "Hundreds of thousands of Californians had their lives turned upside down. We have many, many tough tasks ahead of us."

Governor Schwarzenegger and the people of California will likely receive aid from the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA). In 2004, FEMA donated more than \$317 million dollars to the relief efforts of similar Southern California wildfires.

Wildfires affect Mansfield field hockey player

Despite 2,685 mile distance from Mansfield to California

By DANELLE MILLER

Flashlight News Co-Editor

Imagine attending college 2,685 miles away from home while watching reports of wildfires from a television on the other side of the nation.

Carlyn Spangler is a native of Valley Center in San Diego, CA. San Diego is located in Southern California, so it literally hits close to home for Spangler.

She did not know the fires were burning near her hometown until she saw a story in the news.

"My parents were visiting Pennsylvania and left on a Monday. During their flight home, the fires began to appear. When they reached Phoenix, AZ, my family heard the news. They were flying into the fires," Spangler said.

She called her mom after hearing the reports. Rancho Bernardo and Rancho Santa Fe, two areas where the fires are burning, are approximately 20 minutes from Valley Center.

"At one point one of the fires were approximately 10 minutes away," Spangler said.

"My family made it home safely before the fires." Spangler's family told her that they had to evacuate the area.

Her mother asked her what she wanted from the house. "I wanted pictures and my scrapbook because they were memories from high school. Clothes could be replaced," Spangler said. "I also wanted my pets (four cats and one dog) as well."

Spangler's family traveled approximately 45 minutes away to her brother's house. Within two days her family was allowed to return home.

"My family told me that it was a surreal experience because when they returned home police officers were leaving and coast guards were everywhere," Spangler said.

Because the winds shifted, Spangler's house was spared. "The fires moved into the backcountry," Spangler said. "A problem now is the air quality. We have ashes in our pool because of the fires."

"It's a scary situation and you can't do anything because you're so far away. You just pray that nothing happens," Spangler said. "I have friends in college in Northern Cali-



fornia who can't go home."

When the wildfires appeared in 2003, Spangler recalls seeing the flames after her homecoming dance. "I dropped one of my friends off at her house around 2 a.m. and saw a fire in the distance. 'I hope it's a contained fire,' I joked. The next morning I saw news reports that there was a fire outside of Valley Center. We got off school," Spangler said.

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Yorke, in interviews, had called the writing on the new album "terrifying." But it's only until the first listen that one would know exactly what he meant by "terrifying." The album references a classical piece of literature (almost a Radiohead M.O.), to help tell a story: Dr. Faustus' theme of soul-selling for knowledge juxtaposed with Radiohead's beef with selling albums for money (the album's last lyric, "Today has been the

most perfect day I have ever known," is pulled almost directly from the play). Yorke had also compared the album to the *OK Computer* (the band's 3rd album) era, foreshadowing a less-electronic/more-instrumental feel. In fact, some of the songs date back to the OK era; songs like "Nude" and "Weird Fishes/Arpeggi" were meant to be B-sides to the 1996 album. But with fresh, updated tracks like dancy opener "15 Step" and soulful "All I Need," the album captures a holistic, diverse range of Radiohead. Through the band's evolution, critics have put their two most recent albums, *Amnesiac* and *Hail to the Theif* on the back burners due to way too much experimentation and extremely political themes. But *In Rainbows* seems to be igniting the Radiohead flame once again. Worth the 5 year wait? Absolutely.

By MIKE LENGEL

Jill Scott has done it yet again! Scott's third album, *The Real Thing: Word and Sounds Vol. 3* is nothing short of amazing. The CD starts off with the gripping jazzy and drum pounding of "Let It Be" to the motivating and funky beat of "Hate On Me." If the first couple of songs don't seem to appeal to you then just let the CD play the sensual and sexy sounds of "Come See Me" and "My Love" will captivate you until the very last cord. Scott's CD is definitely for the grown and sexy with the pleading love making songs "All I," "Crown Royal" (I wish it were longer) and spoken word "Epiphany." Jill Scott seduces her fans in her ever so soulful and sweet voice and chauffers her audience through levels of heart break, empowerment, love, and the woes of being single and even celibate. *The Real Thing: Word and Sounds Vol. 3* clearly came from Scott's soul. If it isn't seen by now that Jill Scott is the real thing, then it's time to recognize!

By KIMBERLEE BLOCKER



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After rising to fame for his graphic novels--many of which have become quite a force as a modern-day novelist. When King calls you "a treasure trove of story." With two Bram Stoker Awards doesn't hurt either.

Having two of his novels win both fantasy and horror awards. His works can be terrifying, whimsical or both. He is also often hilarious (*Good Omens* is a comedy/fantasy and even his other works will make you laugh).

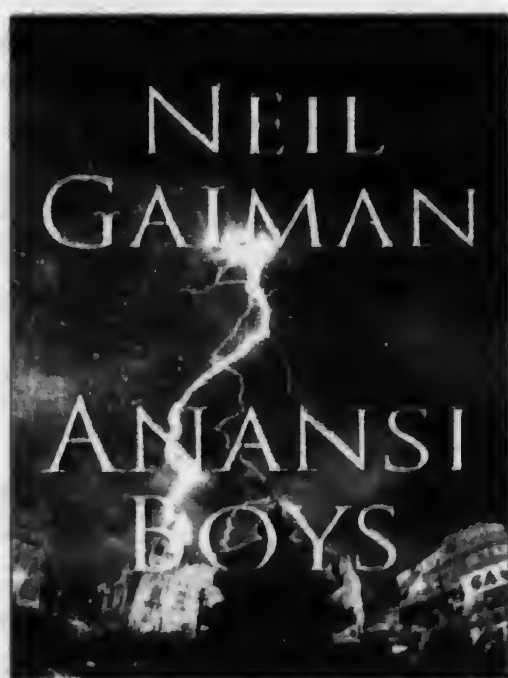
Of his novels, *American Gods* and *Anansi Boys* are standouts. The works stand completely independent of each other. *American Gods* is a fantasy epic that delves into mythology and real history. *Anansi Boys* centers on a present-day battle between the gods of America. It is Gaiman's masterpiece; however, it is also a light of heart.

Anansi Boys tells the story of Fat Charlie, a hopelessly naive man that he has a long-lost brother and that his father was a god. His new brother seems to have inherited these powers and is coming down in ways he never saw coming.

Stephen King also says of Gaiman, "We'd be lucky to have a great success as a novelist, we have him in about every genre: novels, graphic novels, comics, and compilations of his work made into films and has also written directly for film. He's done both the upcoming *Coraline* and *Beowulf*."

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would call these "long comic books"--Neil Gaiman t. You know you're doing something right when Ste-
Winning two Hugo Awards, two Nebula Awards, and

horror awards, it's clear that Gaiman crosses bound-
brutally realistic. His writing is direct and easy to
Omens is a full-on religious comedy, *Anansi Boys* is a
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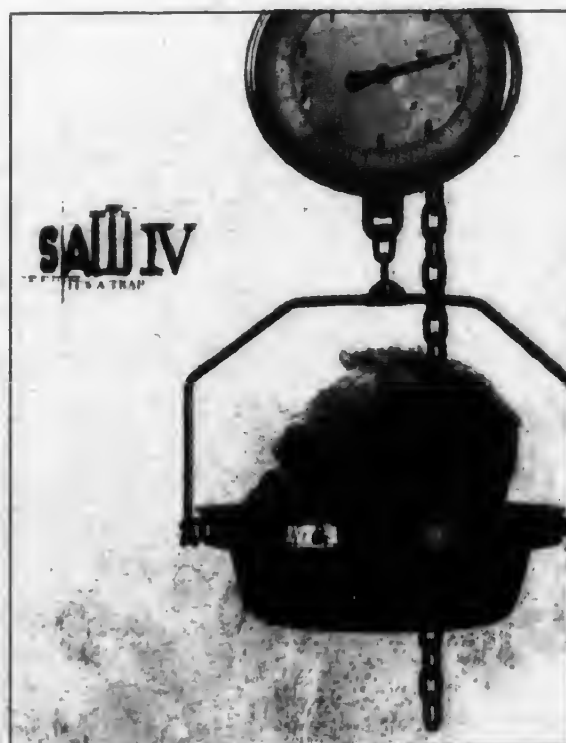
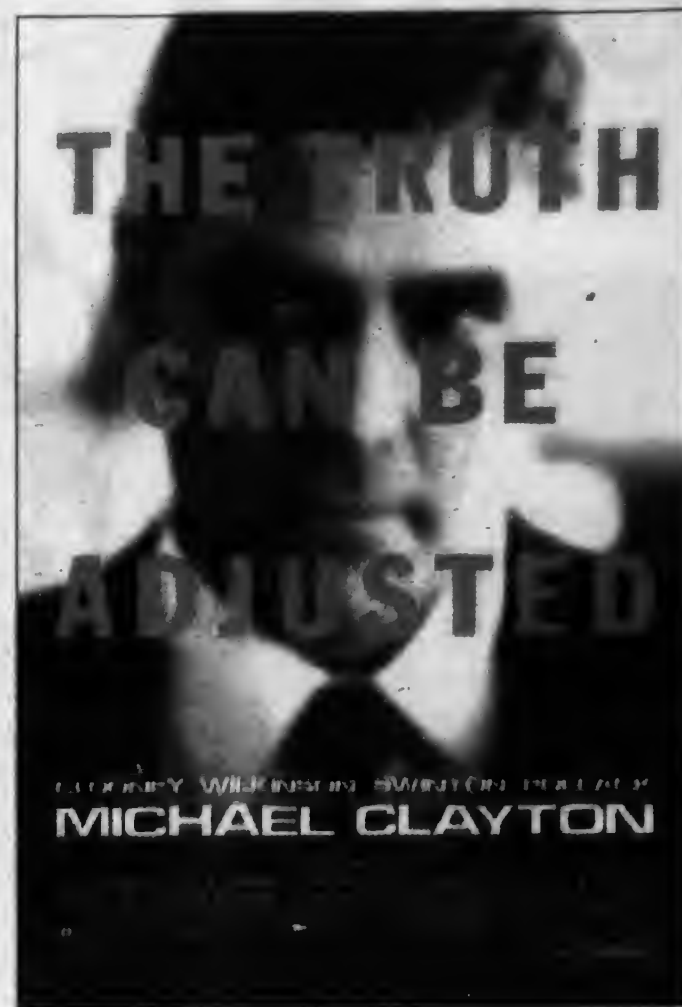
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s of short stories and poems. He has had his works
r film. His films include: *Stardust*, *Mirrormask*, and

By TOM DALTON

Critics called George Clooney's perfor-
mance in *Michael Clayton* the best he's ever
done, and if the audience should not agree
upon seeing it, then it must be by some
fault of theirs. It is not only Clooney who
stands out, however. Instead, the film of-
fers a gallery of stellar performances span-
ning acting and directing. Clooney is, as
reported, simply spectacular in his portray-
al of Clayton, a lawyer (he calls himself a
"janitor") handling a routine damage con-
trol case turned moral dilemma, all while
balancing his dilapidated relationships
with his ex-wife, son, and junkie brother.
Director Tony Gilroy (who also wrote the
Bourne trilogy) pieces together the sharp,
auspiciously written script without flaw,
keeping the audience well aware of every
detail. Tom Wilkinson, a name trusted
throughout the film business, plays Arthur,
a lawyer-alongside-Clayton turned liability
when he reveals his possession of evidence that could potentially solve the film's main
mystery. Every minute is far from fake, summing up Clooney's recent acting career,
as he's been in some of the highest rated films since 1999 (*Three Kings*, *Syriana*, *Good
Night*, and *Good Luck*).

By MIKE LENGEL



Just how many games can a dead man play?
Apparently enough to create more trauma and
problems for seasoned veteran detective Hoffman
(Costas Mandylor), SWAT member Rigg (Lyric
Bent), and newcomer FBI profilers Strahm (Scott
Patterson) and Perez (Athena Karkanis). Director
Darren Lynn Bousman travels back in time even
farther into Jigsaw's life and we're introduced to
his captivating estranged wife, Jill (Betsy Russel),
who's now enduring heated interrogations while
we the audience are enduring a continuous sense
of urgency to finally unravel how everything will
eventually tie together.

Saw IV not only adds another installment to
a franchise that thirsts on the creativity of unthink-
able twists and horrific methods of torture (even if for self-preservation or self-preva-
lence), but also reinvigorates the viewer's interest in Jigsaw's life which we were left
with in *Saw III* and almost makes one care more about him than the victims (which
really victimized themselves, right?). Jigsaw adds a new dimension into the psychody-
namics of his pursuers by asking them to "feel how he feels," and to "see how he sees."
Though not written by *Saw* familiars (and creators) Leigh Whannell and James Wan,
rest assured, you're kept on the edge of your seat.

By KATE KEOUGH

Opinion & Editorial

"from the editor's desk"



It's about that time, the semester is coming to a close (only 15 more MWF classes and 10 more TTH classes) and students are getting ready to pick their classes for the spring semester.

It's an exciting and frustrating time. Most of the time it's more frustrating than exciting, but classes can be fun and interesting.

But frustration and annoyance are usually the predominate emotions on campus at this time, students at their advisors and advisors at their students.

The reason that I and many other people are frustrated during this time is because of the way that the registration schedule is set up. If you don't know when you can register I suggest you go online and check it out because it's already started. It amazes me how many people I talk to at the end of the semester and they still haven't picked

Registration : What a headache

their classes for the next term.

But that's besides the point, the schedule that Mansfield University follows for class registration is completely ridiculous.

Freshman have priority when they schedule their classes. As a senior this is extremely frustrating to me. It's almost a week before I am allowed to register based on the number of credits that I have earned (100) 115 if we were allowed to include the current semester, but we can't.

I already have all my courses planned out and am slowly watching spots disappear to freshman, who will most likely drop the course later because it's too hard. I just hope that the classes I need are available next Monday.

The system just doesn't make sense to me, why would freshman, who have four more years to take classes, get priority over seniors who need certain classes to graduate?

I think it must be a PASSHE system because when I spoke to people from both Millersville and Shippensburg, they run under the same schedule.

The students that are in the honors program also get priority over the rest of the campus. I have no problem with this, they're smart - they've earned it. The schedule should be seniors, honors students, juniors, sophomores and then freshman. Like I said, the freshman have more options, they have four more years to get all their classes in and then even if they missed something along the way- as a senior they would have first choice so they would be sure to get it.

Maybe I'm missing a major positive of the system in place, but to me and many other students, it's a major negative.

Another problem I have with the whole scheduling situation here is that when you come in as a freshman the school chooses your classes for you and only gives you 13 credits. Four classes, plus the one credit UNV course. I sort of understand why the university chooses a freshman's schedule for them, because otherwise they would have no clue what to take. But I don't think it would be that difficult to have a session with students during orientation where they sit down with an

advisor and go over the classes that they need to take and then register right there at orientation.

When I was a freshman the university didn't schedule me for a single communications course, not even intro classes and I came in declared. It's almost a miracle I'm graduating on time because I was technically a semester behind in my major related courses. Which brings me to my next point.

The fact that you only get 13 credits as a freshman, the university pretty much sets students up to be here for five years. Most of the people that I came in with as freshman aren't graduating until next December. Fortunately I was able to take summer classes (for two summers in a row) and can graduate on time, but not everyone can take summer classes. Not everyone can handle 18 credit semesters and unfortunately for those people, they will be in school a lot longer than is necessary.

I hope that for you registration isn't such a headache and that you get the classes you want. For me, I'll be taking some advil and crossing my fingers that I get the classes I need.

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Mansfield tech support needs support of its own

During your orientation, some of the student workers from the campus' Tech Connect came and talked to the students about what to do if they have a problem with their computers. They made it seem like they would be able to fix just about any problem you would have with your computer.

Every time your virus software on your computer would just be about to expire, you would get a message saying how you have to renew it. You'd even get those if you were doing some illegal downloading. The thing is with those, they are all run by a computer. If you call Tech Connect with an urgent problem, no one answers and you have to leave a message. After you leave the message, it takes them almost two days to get back to you. In those two days how much work have you not been able to do in your room because of their lack of presence?

You might as well forget to even go to their office in Pinecrest hoping to find someone there. You'd go there and knock on their door and no one will answer. All you hear is the loud playing of a television. Which kind of gets you to wonder, "Are they actually there but do not want to be bothered so they turn up the volume on the television?" Even during their office hours no one is there.

I know I have called them three times for when I was trying to get my wireless to work on my laptop. I did have a packet telling me how to set it up. But the packet did not match what was on my screen. I went to their office five times hoping to catch someone there. All eight times I've tried to get a hold of someone in Tech Connect, I've been hugely disappointed. In the end, I had to try and figure out how to get my wireless to work. Luckily, I succeeded.

Out of all the services that are available for the students of Mansfield University, Tech Connect is the least reliable, but the most needed besides financial aid and the registrar's office. If you think about it, there are over 2,000 computers between Cedarcrest, Maple, and Laurel. Then you have the computers in Pinecrest, then the off campus students, and then all the computers that belong to the school. There's easily over 5,000 computers that show up on campus in a semester. Each and every one of them might need some maintenance.

But who's going to do it if no one is available in Tech Connect. I believe that Tech Connect needs to either change their system to accommodate the student's schedules, or find some more people to help out.

-Anonymous

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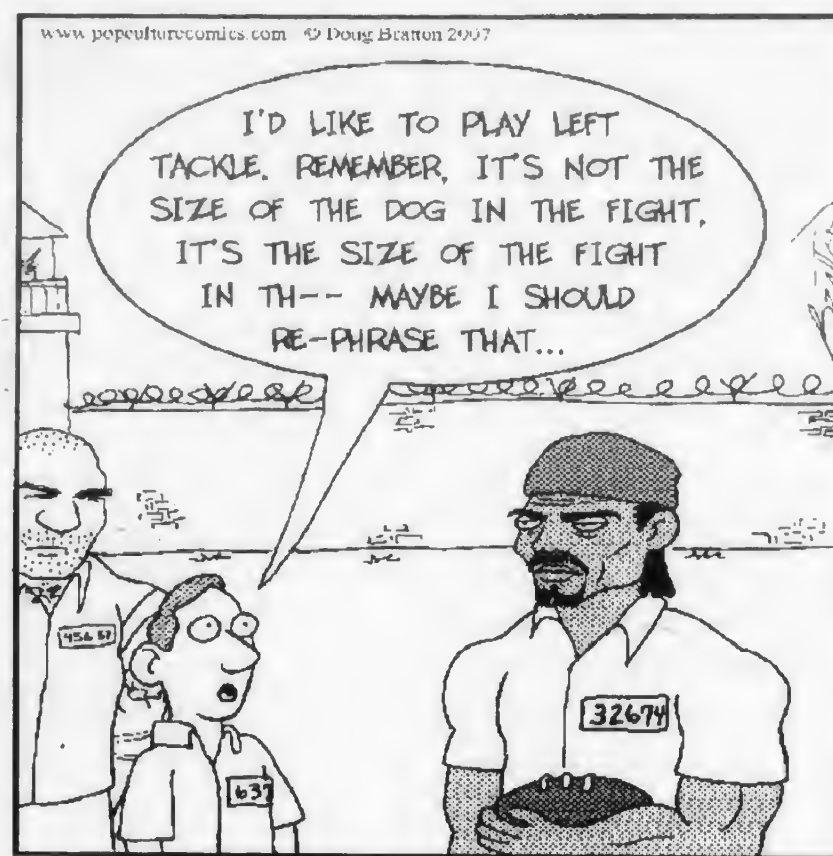
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On the Sidelines with Lyndi Keiser: Career leader in goals

By Nicole Hagan
Flashlight Sports Writer

Fall sports are slowly coming to an end. While senior athletes are bidding their adieus to the field hockey season or the soccer season, Mansfield women's soccer player Lyndi Keiser is reflecting upon the year in a different way. The junior from Mechanicsburg, PA has a whole year to reflect upon the goods, the bads, and the good-byes of fellow teammates. Some things come to an end, but her soccer career is definitely not over.

The promising forward/midfielder will return next year with a list of accomplishments beneath her player profile. Not only did she start in every game this season, but she's already Mansfield University's all-time scoring leader in soccer after just three seasons. This season she managed five goals, the most goals this season on the team.

Additionally, she was named PSAC east player of the week this year, on top of earning all PSAC East honors in 2005 and 2006. It's obvious her achievements aren't restricted to the 2007 season. In 2006, she recorded the first hat trick in school history with three goals over Bloomfield College and was ranked 13 in goals in the PSAC. In 2005, she scored a school record nine goals in her freshman year and had four assists.

She is the schools all-time leading goal scorer with 22 career goals. She is tied on the career assists leader board with Colleen Corcoran with six.

The women's soccer team ended the 2007 season with a record of 3-8-1 in the PSAC East and 3-13-2 record overall. When commenting on the season, Lyndi Keiser expressed her frustration concerning the team's number of wins.

"It's been hard to stay positive and not get frustrated when we had a very good team and played well this year, but we just couldn't get the wins we needed," Keiser said.

While the team's overall record seems disheartening, Lyndi remains optimistic about the team's potential for success next season. When interviewing her about the past season, her enthusiasm and desire to come back and put up a fight in the 2008 season was apparent.

After answering my questions on such short notice, it seems evident that she's willing to go the extra mile and work as hard as she can to achieve her goals. The following interview is a demonstration of her passion for the game and her dedication to her teammates.

Nicole Hagan: How long have you been playing soccer?

Lyndi Keiser: I have been playing soccer since I was four years old.

NH: I heard you played basketball and soccer all throughout high school. Why did you decide to play soccer and not basketball when you got to college?

LK: Soccer was my favorite sport growing up and I was definitely a better soccer player than I was a basketball player.

NH: Why did you decide to come to Mansfield University?

LK: I was recruited by Coach Dempsey and came for a visit. When I got here, I had a great time with the girls on the team and liked the campus. It just felt like a good fit for me.

NH: How do you think the team did this season?

LK: I think it was a rough season for us; we had the potential to be a very good team this year but just came up short when we played in some very close matches. We made some great accomplishments this season but also had some tough set backs that kept us from achieving our goal of playoffs.

NH: Looking back on the season, are there any memories that stick out in your mind? If so what are they?

LK: I would definitely have to say our homecoming game against West Chester where Caroline scored two goals in the second half to tie the game for us is a memory that sticks out in my mind.

NH: What has been your most rewarding experience, thus far, through college soccer?

LK: Being named PSAC-East Player of the week was an honor and an unexpected reward this season.

NH: What's been your most difficult task, so far, through college soccer?

LK: It's been hard to stay positive and not get frustrated when we had a very good team and played well this year, but we just couldn't get the wins we needed.

NH: How do you think the team has progressed since you started playing here at Mansfield?

LK: I think we have grown a lot as a team. We're continuing to make steps in the right direction by beating better teams each year and improving our game by coming together and working as a team, instead of as individuals.

NH: What motivates you to play soccer?

LK: My teammates and my family.

NH: Will there be any changes in individual or team strategy for next year?

LK: I think we're going to have to make some adjustments considering the fact that we're losing five crucial players, but I don't think the adjustments will be anything too major.

NH: Do you have any personal goals for next year?

LK: I would personally like to help my team make playoffs however I can. Whether that means playing a different position or taking on another role on the team, I just want to see us make playoffs next year.

NH: What's your major and what do you plan to do with your major when you graduate?

LK: I'm an elementary and special education major and I'm planning on declaring a minor in Psychology of Human Development. I hope to become an elementary school teacher or maybe become an elementary school counselor.

NH: Do you plan on playing next year? If so why?

LK: Absolutely, I love playing soccer but it wouldn't be half as much fun if it weren't for my teammates, especially my two roommates Justine and Katie.

NH: Explain to me, in your own words, what it's like to be a part of the Mansfield Women's soccer team.

LK: Our soccer team is like a family. I love playing with the other girls on the team, they're like sisters to me. They are some of my best friends; we can't get enough of each other. It's rare to see one of us without at least one other teammate. We love hanging out with each other and having a great time together.

NH: Is there anything else you'd like to add?

LK: I'd like to thank Zach Serfass for his dedication to making me laugh and keeping me positive when times got beat.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Junior Lyndi Keiser led the soccer team in goals this season with five. She scored the game winning goal in the teams 1-0 win over Millersville last Wednesday. The junior is the career leader in goals with 22. She also has six assists in her career.

Keiser's goal breaks 12 game winless streak for Soccer team

BY CHRISTOPHER BOSWELL

Flashlight Sports Writer

On a cool, cloudy day the Mansfield Mountaineers soccer team faced off against Millersville University. The Mansfield defense would prove to be triumphant as they held Millersville to only four shots on the day. Junior goalkeeper Justine Segear recorded four saves for the shutout as Mansfield won the game 1-0.

"I'm just happy for the girls," head coach Tim Dempsey said. "We've lost five games by a goal this year including our last one against a regionally ranked team. To play this hard after all that disappointment this late in the season really says something about the character of this team."

Mansfield's goal came in the 84 minute when senior Anita Valerio tore past the Millersville defenders to make a cross pass Lyndi Keiser. Keiser ripped the ball into the back of the net to give Mansfield the lead and ultimately the win.

"It was a hard fought game," Dempsey said. "Neither team created many quality scoring opportunities."

Saturday afternoon was a memorable day when the Mansfield Mountaineer's seniors were honored during their last home game of their collegiate careers. Colleen Corcoran, Caroline Furmato, Kim Pachuta, Robyn Travisano and Valerio were honored by teammates and fans as they were lead onto the field by their family members. All five of these ladies will be missed by the program.

"The seniors played well, I felt bad for Caroline because she hurt her foot and wasn't 100 percent," Dempsey said. "The team wanted to win the game for the seniors. You always like to send the seniors out on a win in their last game."

Kutztown University would be the only team to have a ball reach the back of the net on the day. Kim Kely scored off of a cross pass from teammate Michele Kalb in the 22 minute of play.

"We played a good first half, but we were chasing a lot," Dempsey said. "We made some adjustments

at halftime and were able to stop them from swinging the ball. We put more pressure on them and were able to attack."

The rest of the game was a battle, with Mansfield having the ball in Kutztown's end for the majority of the second half. However, the Mountaineers were unable to get anything past the Kutztown goalkeeper.

The final score of the game was 1-0 which would make it the Mountaineer's seventh loss by one goal and it's fifth loss 1-0. Segear ended the day with six saves.

The team ends the season with a record of 3-12-2 overall and 3-7-1 in the PSAC.

Keiser led the team in goals with five, while seniors Travisano and Furmato scored two goals apiece.

Corcoran, Katie Parsnik and Karli Nester each had one goal on the season.

Corcoran and Valerio led the team in assists with two. Travisano and Furmato each had one assist on the season.

Now that the season is over, the team will take a few weeks off to focus on academics.

"We will get together with them and practice in small groups to work on agility," Dempsey said. "We can do strength training as a team and in the spring we have 24 practices in a 45 day span."



SPORTS INFORMATION

Junior goalkeeper Justine Segear recorded a shutout in the Mountaineers 1-0 win over Millersville on Wednesday.



Sports Information

Freshman Gretchen Meyers provided the soccer team depth this year, playing in 14 games.

NFL picks of the week

Week 9	Eric Bohannon Sports Editor	Mike Lengel Features Editor	Kara Newcomer Editor-in-Chief	Danelle Miller Co-news Editor	Carrie Goodyear Co-News Editor	Emily Akins women's basketball player
Overall	31-23	28-26	32-22	24-30	36-18	32-22
Last Week	8-4	8-4	7-5	7-5	9-3	6-6
Broncos @ Lions	Lions	Lions	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos	Lions
49ers @ Falcons	Falcons	Falcons	Falcons	49ers	Falcons	Falcons
Bengals @ Bills	Bengals	Bengals	Bengals	Bengals	Bengals	Bills
Panthers @ Titans	Titans	Panthers	Panthers	Titans	Titans	Panthers
Packers @ Chiefs	Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers
Chargers @ Vikings	Chargers	Vikings	Chargers	Chargers	Chargers	Chargers
Jaguars @ Saints	Jaguars	Saints	Saints	Saints	Saints	Saints
Redskins @ Jets	Jets	Jets	Jets	Redskins	Jets	Jets
Cardinals @ Bucs	Bucs	Cardinals	Bucs	Bucs	Bucs	Bucs
Seahawks @ Browns	Browns	Browns	Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks	Browns
Patriots @ Colts	Colts	Colts	Colts	Patriots	Colts	Colts
Texans @ Raiders	Texans	Texans	Texans	Raiders	Raiders	Raiders
Cowboys @ Eagles	Cowboys	Cowboys	Eagles	Eagles	Cowboys	Eagles
Rams @ Steelers	Steelers	Rams	Steelers	Steelers	Steelers	Steelers

"Minor Sports" take center stage at Mansfield

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Sports Editor

It was hard to know what to expect heading into the fall sports season this year. With no football, all that was left for the fall was field hockey, soccer and cross country. These three sports might be considered minor on some campuses, but for Mansfield, they were it. The teams did not disappoint as it was an exciting fall sports season.

The field hockey team got off to its best start in school history winning its first four games of the year. The team hit a rough spot in the middle of season losing three in a row, but recovered to win six of its final nine games to finish with an 11-7 overall record and 7-7 record in the PSAC. The Mountaineers just missed the final PSAC playoff spot, losing the tie-breaker to Shippensburg because the Red Raiders beat a higher ranked opponent during the year.

Seniors Ryanne Higgins and Keely Jarrett moved up the career goal scoring charts this season. Higgins finished her career second in goals with 42 and assists with 27. Jarrett ended third in career goals with 41 and third in assists with 18. Senior Shana Markwis moved up to sixth in career assists with 12 in her career.

"This is a great group of seniors," head coach Diane Monkiewicz said. "They have trusted the system even after a rough start to their careers. They are true student athletes and are leaders on and off the field."

Sophomore Breanne Tobin led the team in goals this year with 15 to give her 32 in her career. "Tobin started off the way she finished last year," Monkiewicz said. "She's a hard worker that never quits. She's a dangerous scoring weapon but I think her aggressiveness wreaks the most havoc."

Higgins followed with 12 goals and Jarrett with nine. Sophomore Carlyn Spangler had five goals on the year while fellow sophomores Kelly Klimkowski and Kayla Carter added a goal each on the season.

Defender Courtney Grunza also had a solid season this year. What Grunza does won't show up on any stat sheets, but she gets the job done. "I think Courtney might be one of the best defensive players in the league," Monkiewicz said. "She is very patient and has a ton of speed."

Junior goalie Brianna DeLuca went 9-7 on the season with a 1.97 goals against average and two shutouts.

"DeLuca made some saves this year that were exceptional," Monkiewicz said of her goalie. "She kept us in a lot of games, even though she didn't get as many shutouts as she had last year."

Sophomore Hayley Tuckey started and won the first two games of her collegiate career.

The field hockey team finished 10 in the national poll and a record five players made all PSAC.

Sophomore Breanne Tobin made the first team, while senior Ryanne Higgins, sophomore Brittany Kostishon, Courtney Grunza and Brianna DeLuca made the second team.

The soccer team started the season strong with a tie against Edinboro, who went on to finish in second place in the PSAC west. Mansfield then won two out of its next three games and was regionally ranked for the first time in school history.

But in the next 14 games, the Mountaineers were only able to score seven goals. The Mountaineers lost eight games in a row. The team tied West Chester to break the losing streak, but went winless for 12 in a row until a 1-0 victory over Millersville.

"We had a very good start. We had high expectations and a good preseason," head coach Tim Dempsey said. "After the Clarion and Slippery Rock games, we just got on a bad roll."

The team was shutout six games in a row shutout 10 times overall this season.

"There were some games we didn't generate chances and some games we did have chances, but we just couldn't get them to go in," Dempsey said. "We had trouble maintaining the ball and creating a consistent attack. This led to our defense having to do too much work."

One thing with this team is, with all that went wrong, they never quit. In the second meeting against nationally ranked West Chester, the Mountaineers broke their eight game losing streak with a 2-2 tie. The Mountaineers also picked up a 1-0 win against Millersville in the second

to last game of the season.

"That is a characteristic of our team," Dempsey said referring to them not quitting. "There were times where I thought we didn't get their best effort but they always came back with a quality effort. They worked hard and showed good character."

One thing the Mountaineers couldn't control this year was their schedule. This year's 18 game schedule was played against only teams in the PSAC. "This was the toughest schedule in school history," Dempsey said. "There are no easy teams in this conference."

"We played good soccer. When teams played us they knew it would be a battle. I am not displeased with their effort or with the soccer that we played," Dempsey said.

This year was different for Dempsey as he had some company on the sidelines. This was the first time in six seasons at Mansfield that he had assistant coaches. Eric Sira, Henrik Madsen and Brandon Fields helped out Dempsey this season. "We were able to do more individual work and give them more attention. It also gave us more eyes to see things on the field," Dempsey said. "Eric had a real positive impact on the players and all three contributed something to the program."

The Cross Country team is the only fall sports team currently competing. They have the Eastern Regionals on Saturday at Lock Haven University.

Last week at the PSAC meet at Kutztown, Seniors Chris Cummings and Josh Wooten earned All PSAC honors. Cummings became the first Mansfield runner to earn all PSAC in all four years.

"That was the best finish in his four years," head coach Mike Rohl said of Cummings's third place finish. "We changed his race strategy a little bit to have him start slower and get stronger as the race progresses. He has gotten better at that and with poor racing conditions Saturday it worked real well."

Things seemed strange this year without football, but athletics must continue, and sports should always be played. That will continue in the winter with the men's and women's basketball teams starting their seasons. With a lot of experience returning, it looks to be another exciting season for Mansfield athletics.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Junior Shantee Proctor played in 12 games for the field hockey team this year, starting nine of them. An injury midseason caused Proctor to miss some playing time

Maikner wins her third event of year in loss to Bloomsburg

By ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Sports Editor

Senior Maureen Maikner continued her fast start for her senior season by winning her third event of the year in Saturday's meet against Bloomsburg.

Maikner won the 100 Butterfly for the second time this year. She won the 200 IM in the swim teams 109-66 win over Penn State-Altoona.

Sophomore Sarah Koontz won the 100 free against Penn State-Altoona with a time of 1:01.32 finished in second place in the win over Penn State-Altoona and placed third in the loss to Bloomsburg.

Amy Hoffman took third place in the 100 free against Bloomsburg and she took second place in the 200 in the teams first meet against Penn State-Altoona.

Junior Mary Tucker won the 200 and 500 free in the meet against Penn State-Altoona.

Freshman Katie Stillitano finished in second place

Tucker in the 500 free.

The swim team will travel to Lock Haven University on Saturday November 3 to talk on the Bald Eagles.

On Saturday November 10 they will go to Edinboro before traveling to Kutztown for the Kutztown Invitational.

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Cummings, Wooten earn All PSAC honors in Cross Country

BY ERIC BOHANNON

Flashlight Sports Editor

Chris Cummings has been tearing apart the Mansfield cross country and track record books ever since he arrived as a freshman. He has all but one indoor and outdoor distance records and the indoor one he doesn't have his held by teammate Josh Wooten. Cummings added another mark to his career when he finished in third place in the PSAC championships at Kutztown University on Saturday. Cummings became the first Mansfield runner to earn all PSAC honors for all four seasons.

"I felt really well, that was the best I felt all year," Cummings said of his performance. "This was the best approach I have ever had and I'm in the best shape I have been in throughout my career."

"He's gotten stronger since his freshman year and he runs 100 miles a week," head coach Mike Rohl said of Cummings's workout routine. "He keeps his miles up and he has a lot more confidence now that he is older. He had trouble closing out races before, but he has the confidence now to chase people from behind and he has adjusted well to anything thrown at him."

On a day that was miserable with rain and muddy conditions, Mansfield was one of only four schools to have more than one runner earn all PSAC. The team finished the meet in seventh place.

"I think the weather helped me," Cummings said. "I'm a smaller guy and there were a lot of bigger guys at the meet and that kind of gave me an advantage."

Cummings led the team with his third place finish, but right behind him was senior Josh Wooten who finished in 11. Wooten finished the race in 26:50.70 to receive PSAC honors for the second time in his career. "Josh used the same negative split method as Chris. He has always been good at this strategy," Rohl said. "Josh is a mature, strong runner and the weather didn't effect him as it might have a younger runner."

John-Mark Stoltz and Duke Opdyke ran strong races for the Mountaineers. Stoltz finished in 49 while Opdyke finished in 64.

"They both really stepped up for us," Rohl said. "We would have finished a lot worse

than seventh if they didn't run so well."

Dave Sanford and Joe Stanek had off days in the muddy surface. Sanford finished in 83 and Stanek came in 84. "Dave had a bad day," Rohl said. "He was flat and looked tired, but it won't happen again. He is too consistent to have two bad races in a row."

The women did not have a great day as they finished in twelfth place. Freshman Brenae Edwards put together a nice day finishing in 25.

"She ran a great race," Rohl said. "She was the fourth freshman to cross the line."

None of the other women finished in the top 50.

"They are disappointed in themselves," Rohl said. "They had bad races. We had girls that have placed in the 30's here before and they didn't do that and that really hurt us points wise. We just had a bad race."

Clarissa Correll finished in 57, while Jess Wagner finished in 74.

Freshman Ryan Kelly finished in 78 with a time of 27:13, while freshman Irene Primmer finished in 83 with a time of 27:21.

The team will travel to Lock Haven University this Saturday to compete in the NCAA Regionals.



Sports Information

Senior Chris Cummings will lead the cross country team to the regional meet next week at Lock Haven.

Coming up in Mountie Sports

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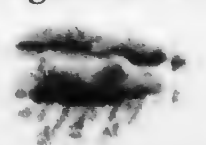


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Today's Weather
It's gonna RAIN!



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Board changes M.U. mascot to Bear Grylls

By MIKE BIGANDTALL
Features Editor

The Mansfield University Board of Trustees has come to a unanimous decision to change the school mascot from the Mountaineer to Bear Grylls, host of the Discovery Channel's Man Versus Wild television series. The series, which began airing in June 2007, places Bear into life-threatening situations, where he teaches the audience the proper techniques to survival, "which is like, pretty awesome," President Maravene Loeschke said. Loeschke headed the decision to change the mascot due to what she calls "a like, huge crush" on Grylls. "He's just so like, hot! And when he like, takes his shirt off when he's like, in the desert and stuff, he's even hotter!" Loeschke added.

Grylls was contacted about this decision and was also asked to guest speak at the official announcement. However, Mansfield officials could only get in touch with Bear's personal assistant who said Bear is "too busy squeezing water out of animal poop and drinking it, eating raw eagle eggs, sleeping in trees, fighting with tigers, and scaling freakin' huge mountains with his bare hands to be giving speeches at colleges."

Loeschke told the student body last week that "the Mountaineer is lame, man. I mean, who wants to be represented by a dirty, bearded, fat guy anyway? Just because he can shoot a grizzly bear with a huge rifle from quite a distance doesn't make him cool. I mean, Bear Grylls would probably wrestle down a grizzly bear, then play him in Texas Hold-Em and beat him with a royal flush, and then kill him blindfolded with an unsharpened No. 2 pencil. Twice."

Loeschke also announced that from now on, "the only textbook necessary for any class will be Bear's first book, Facing Up," which tells the story of the 23 year old's ascent to the summit of Mount Everest, "probably the most badass thing ever. Yeah, while you guys are in college at 23, Bear climbed Mount freakin' Everest."

On another regulatory note, the university will add a major, simply called Grylls, where students watch episodes of Man Versus Wild until their heads explode, and then take comprehensive exams while live pira-

nha nibble at their toes. A degree is earned not through grades, however, but through survival. "If you're alive after going through my simulation of Hell, sure, I'll give you a degree," Grylls said. One of the classes will be called "How to Rehab a Snapped Spine After A Routine British SAS Parachuting Exercise Goes Horribly, Horribly Wrong 101."

Athletic teams will now be forced to listen to the British national anthem before each athletic event in honor of the military service that Grylls adhered. Starting spots in each sport will be filled with those who can make it out of the Mojave Desert with nothing but a Swiss Army knife, "because if you can do that, no other teams are going to want to mess with you. Trust me," Grylls said enthusiastically.

The long standing wooden statue of the Mountaineer that stands outside of Marks Bros. restaurant will also be replaced with a solid iron statue of Grylls, the solid iron, of course, representing Grylls' iron-clad mental and physical strength. Anyone caught defacing the statue will face twenty lashings from a Grylls-chosen member of the University Police.



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Grylls sharpens his knife which he plans to use to "toughen up" Mansfield University students.

Mansfield University decides to become a Division I school

By DENTYNE MILLER
News Goddess

Mansfield University is expecting a check in the mail in sum of \$500,000.

The univeristy has been corresponding with Division I schools such as Duke, Clemson, Michigan State, San Jose State, among others.

Because of the donation from these institutions, Mansfield is working to improve the university and obtain Division I status.

Maravene Loeschke is the President of Mansfield Univeristy. "One of the first objectives I have is to create more courses to attract more students," Loeschke said.

"After the programs are in place, I will bring back football, as well as Volleyball, Tennis, and other sports. I'm hoping to build our programs up to compete with these top institutions," Loeschke said.

The division I schools recognized Mansfield when Dennis Miller organized a public relations campaign to reach out to other schools. "Well my first goal was to start small. I talked with Penn State and convinced them that even though we are a small institution, we have as much potential as they do," Miller said.

After Miller recruited the support of Penn State and other top

schools in Pennsylvania, he took a proposal to the Board of Trustees. "I wanted to show them how much our school was worth and that we should get out of the PSAC schools and become a larger institution and join the ranks of the elite," Miller said.

The Board of Trustees agreed with Miller and allowed him to reach out on a national level. Miller provided a strong argument, which led to the donation from the other deviation I schools.

More updates will be coming soon. Any questions, call Dennis Miller at 1-800-DREAM-ON.



PHOTO TAKEN FROM MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY AND DUKE UNIVERSITY

Mansfield University is corresponding with Division I schools in attempts to better programs and compete on a national level.

New South Hall swings over holiday break

By THE CREATURE
FROM DAN MASON'S
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Faculty Advisor

Miller Construction Company revealed today that South Hall is 11 inches too far east.

"We built it where we built it because that's where the ground was suitable for building the building," Forman Stan Emerson said. "We knew we would have to move it after it was built. It's already in the plans."

The original South Hall, which Miller Construction Company removed more than a year ago, was built on the side of the hill. It was not properly anchored when it was built. The building slid more than 27 centimeters west over the last 50 years.

"No one likes working in a building that's sliding down the hill," Emerson said. "It's disconcerting."

"We were always handing out Dramamine patches," Dr. Helen Bibleheimer, professor of Nursing said. "The building wasn't moving fast, but it was moving."

"I have the worst coffee stain," Cindy Kerr said. Kerr worked in the registrar's office in South Hall. "I thought it was my nerves. I switched to decaf, but that didn't help. I'm relieved to know it wasn't just me."

The new South Hall is nearing construction. Miller Construction will be moving earth moving equipment on campus to move the building to its final location.

"We have this big crane we call 'Mike,' after *Mike Mulligan and his Steam Shovel*," Emerson said. "Mike'll lift up South Hall and me and the boys will shove on the front door. When the building swings west, Mike'll drop it right where we want it."

Because the hillside is mostly coal, Miller Construction had to sink massive steel and concrete columns hundreds of feet into the earth. "We found the bedrock about 1700 feet

down," Emerson said. "We sunk them columns and now we just have to move the building onto them."

"It will be a once in a lifetime experience," President Maravene Loeschke said. Loeschke has been president of Mansfield for more than a year. "We've seen some sights since I came to Mansfield, but no one's ever seen a dangling building."

Loeschke, whose house is downhill from the South Hall site, is confident the new South Hall can be safely swung. "Mr. Emerson told me he has never swung a building before," Loeschke said, "but he's pretty sure it will work."

"Safe as houses," Emerson said. "I used to build stilt houses in California. People lived in them for months. It wasn't my fault the earth shook and they slid into the ocean."

The new South Hall is over three million cubic feet. It weighs more than 150 thousand tons. Mike, the crane, is rated at half a million tons. Mike won't even strain when he picks up South Hall. "It's the workers who have to worry," Emerson said. "If they push too hard, the building could swing out across the street and Mike'll drop it in the middle of College Ave. Wouldn't want that to happen."

"It would be convenient to have street access to South Hall," Provost Michael Renner said, "but we couldn't get a building permit for the middle of the street."

Emerson and his men have been relaxing since July to prepare for the move. "Some of my boys are pretty husky," Emerson said. "I had to get them to lay off the iron for a while so we don't push that building too far."

Moving day will be January 2, 2008.



GOOGLE IMAGES

Buildings have been moved by people and tractors in the past but a big crane will move South Hall.

Police Beat

Jose Salami - Former Mansfield Youniversity student and Trashlight staff member was seen on Van Norman Field attempting to play a one man game of football. He was subsequently arrested because he's crazy, football is gone from Mansfield.

Dr. Sarah Catherine Young - Professor of Gender Bias and Chaos Com. was named in by her students for crazy apple and skeleton shoes.

Chris Boswell - Was turned in and arrested for taking too long at Wal-Mart. Wal-Mart is open 24 hours, but Boswell broke the customer shopping time record by staying in the store for 62 hours straight.

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By BRODACIOUS BRO McBRO

Some organization did that the other day, bro. "Bro, it's awesome," said some bro. "I mean, bro, there's so many girls here tonight, bro! Game on!" Bro, it was pretty dumb if you ask me. Probably a big waste of the school's money, bro! And you know what, bro, it's probably all George Bush's fault. Bro, I hate George Bush because war is BAD, bro, and also because a lot of other bros

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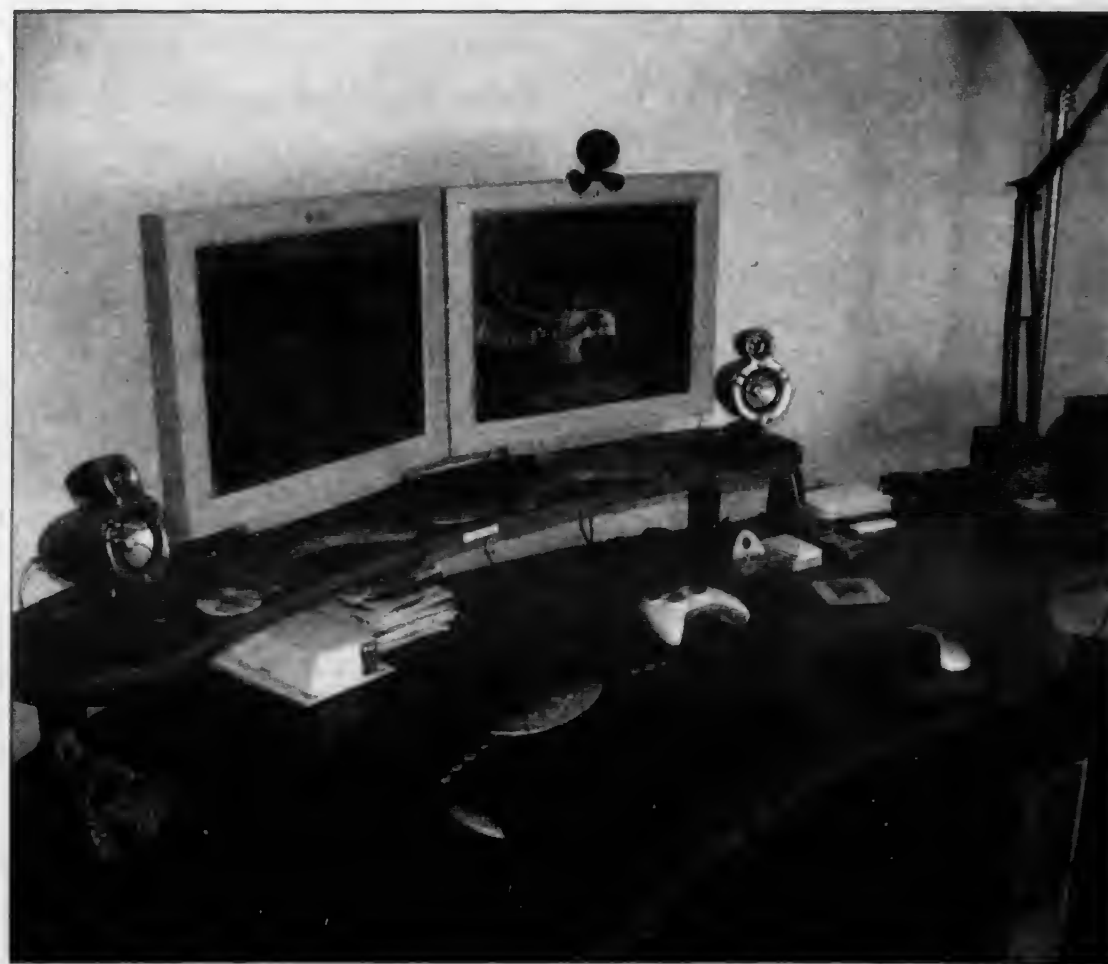
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Bro, where did you get that shirt? It looks just like that shirt I had on when I totally hooked up with that girl that one night, bro! Clutch, bro, clutch!



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Football to return at Mansfield- NFL style -Mansfield purchases rights to have NFL team

By E-Biohazardous

Best Darned Sports Editor ever

The NFL is introducing its 33 franchise next year and Mansfield won the bid for the franchise.

Mansfield beat out Los Angeles, which was the favorite to win the bid. The town of Mansfield won the bid with a 100 billion dollar offer to purchase the hosting rights for the franchise.

The owner of the team, Al Davis, who also owns the Oakland Raiders, was elated about where his new home will be.

"I can't wait to move to Mansfield," Davis said. "I'm sick of living in Oakland, all of these people make me crazy. I will still have some say in Raiders decisions, but my main concern will be here in Mansfield."

Mansfield University president Maravene Loeschke echoed Davis's statements about having the NFL franchise moving to town.

"It is a great day for Mansfield," Loeschke said. "I've said all along I wanted a professional sports team in the area, and now my wish is finally coming true. When we

have our vote for the mascot, I just hope the students pick a good name."

That's right, the Mansfield University students will get to choose what the franchise will be called. All the students have to do is go to nflmascot.com/mansfield to vote.

The voting will start on Wednesday morning at 12:01 a.m. and will end the following Wednesday at 12:02 a.m.

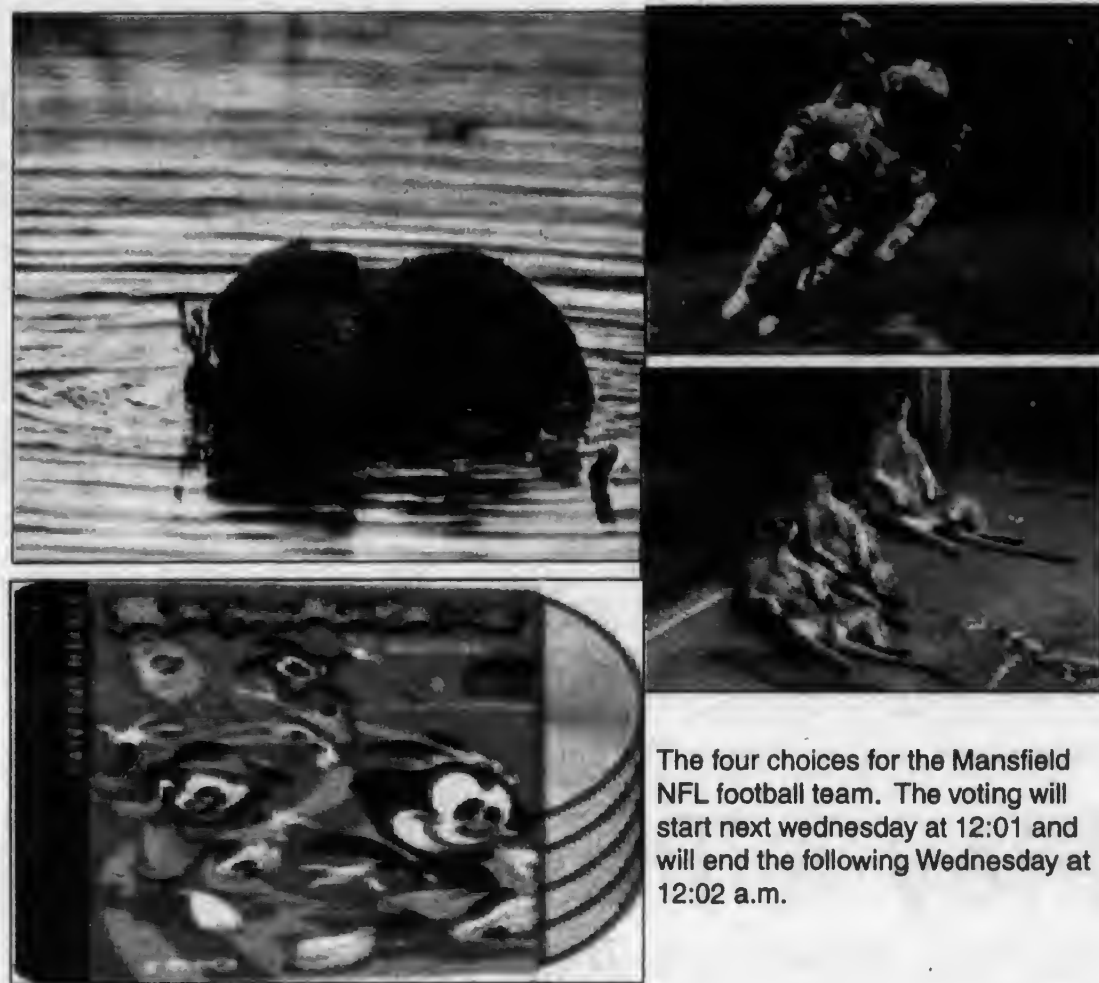
The students will have four choices to choose from, they are the Astronauts, Beavers, the Mighty Meerkats and the Maniacs.

The students have been warned by the president that if she does not approve of the mascot, she will cancel every other sports program on the University until she finds a name that she likes.

This is a drastic turn of events for the University after dropping the program just one year ago.

The construction on a new stadium will begin immediately and will start with the destruction of the newly built South Hall.

The parts that were used to build South Hall will be used for the restructuring of a new Press



The four choices for the Mansfield NFL football team. The voting will start next wednesday at 12:01 and will end the following Wednesday at 12:02 a.m.

Box for Van Norman field.

The Press box will be built on top of Decker gym so more seats can bulit in the grand stand area. To add end zone seating, the softball field will be moved to the top of Manser dining hall.

The grass to the field will be taken out to put in astroturf. President Loeschke wants an old time feel to the stadium.

"What better way to attract players to want to come and play for us by putting in astroturf," Loeschke said. "We plan on being very competitive next year and I think the artificial surface will be a great selling point for the team."

To make more parking, Allen Hall will be torn down to provide a parking lot and will be put in the basement of the Maple dormitory.

The administration feels that Allen Hall is not an important building ot the campus so it is not a priority.

The team is expected to play next year and the players will most likely live in the Doane center.

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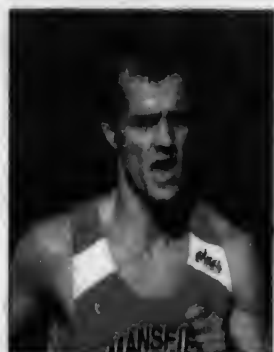
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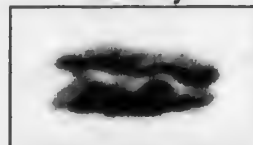
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Today's Weather
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"Developing tomorrow's leaders" A catchy slogan or a recipe for disaster?

By REBECCA HAZEN

Flashlight Writer

Developing Tomorrow's Leaders is the new brand for Mansfield University, and with it there have been changes and new opinions on campus.

Dr. Maravene Loeschke, president of Mansfield University, is one of the driving forces behind the new brand. "I've spent my whole career devoted to leadership. When I was being interviewed for the president position, it was made very clear that Mansfield needed to clarify its uniqueness," Loeschke said.

Every 10 years the university has to do a self study. The Middle States Association also does a study of the university. There had been previous talk of a leadership brand and the Middle States Association validated that it would be a good choice.

Through campus forums, conversations and surveys, the university decided that a leadership brand was the way to go, and ideas were consolidated and voted on. The brand "Developing Tomorrow's Leaders" won.

Dr. Loeschke does not think the new brand will affect returning students, but it will have an impact on new students. "It is a good experience, not the brand, that will make students want to come here, but it will be a major effect in that it will alert the state that this will be the place to go if you want to develop leadership skills," Loeschke said.

Things new and old at the university coincide with the leadership brand: the leadership minor, the Mountaineer Leadership Program (MLP) and the opening of the new Leadership Institute.

Dr. Loeschke thinks that the leadership brand is a great match for Mansfield, "Mansfield has had a creed for a long time, and many schools do not. The creed - Character, Scholarship, Culture and Service, is the basis for everything good about leadership," Loeschke said.

Dennis Miller is the director of public relations at Mansfield University. "Developing Tomorrow's Leaders fits much closer with the university's activities and direction. Mansfield has a long history of developing leaders, including leaders in government, athletics, education, music, science and the arts. Many faculty and staff already had leadership programs in place...



PHOTOS COURTESY OF MANSFIELD UNIVERSITY
Mansfield University faculty and students appear divided on the new slogan, and university branding.

It's one large shared vision," Miller said.

Dr. Adam Brennan is the chair of the music department. "The slogan has an appeal and will likely be eye catching, especially to new students," Brennan said. "Having said this, no slogan by itself will be effective without developing core values and actions that ultimately reinforce the truth behind the slogan. Simply put: talk is cheap and actions speak louder than words."

Many actions have been taken to put the new brand into effect. Programs have been created or expanded in nearly all areas of the university. There are billboards, magazine and newspaper ads. A radio spot was produced which President Loeschke narrates. The brand is on various websites. The slogan permeates the Mansfield University website. A new admissions package is being developed that also explores the theme.

Dr. William Chabala is the chair of the department of academic & human development. "I think it better represents the direction the administration wants to go in," Chabala said. "Highlighting something we believe in is very important, it distinguishes us,"

Jequai Jones is a senior at Mansfield. "When you are applying to graduate school or going on job interviews one of the first questions they ask you is what leadership qualities and experiences have you possessed. In every aspect of life it is better to be a leader and not a follower," Jones said. "I am glad that Mansfield University is taking the initiative to make leadership a huge priority in our education."

Some students and faculty think that the replaced brand, "Small University, Big Opportunities", was a better choice to represent Mansfield.

Dr. Sue Young is a communication and theatre professor. "I much preferred the 'Small University, Big Opportunities' slogan. In my experience here, that is who we are. We sell ourselves to people who want individualized attention and access to multiple opportunities. For example, any student can write for the newspaper or work on the radio station from their first year here and can interact with faculty who can provide insight and expertise," Young said. "Bigger universities don't allow students these opportunities until their junior or senior year, and they rarely get individualized attention."

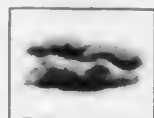
"By focusing only on leadership, we neglect branding ourselves with all of the other opportunities that Mansfield University affords to students. Not every student wants to become a leader, so by focusing only on one of our opportunities, I see the leadership brand as really limiting us," Young said.

Kelsey Watkins is a student at Mansfield University. "I think that the 'Small University, Big Opportunities' was better for Mansfield because we are in a small town. Any school can develop leaders. So what is so great about Mansfield developing leaders?" Watkins said.

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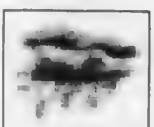
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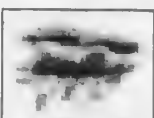
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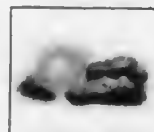
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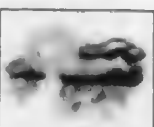
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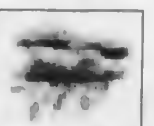
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Campus Bulletin Board

Mansfield University

Kids Nite Out is back by popular demand at Decker Gym on the campus of Mansfield University. The next date is November 10. Listed below are the dates. Please post this information for us.

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'SLOGAN'

Valerie Allen is a student at Mansfield University. "Every university develops 'tomorrow's leaders'. It being over used, whether it's said or not," Allen said.

Whether people agree with the new leadership brand or not, a conclusion can be made that leadership skills are needed for stu-

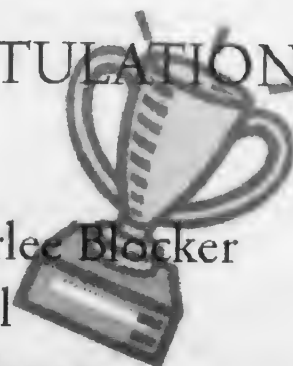
dents. Dr. Loeschke states on the Mansfield University that, "The leadership potential is here. And Mansfield University is devoted to the development of tomorrow's leaders in our undergraduate and graduate programs to benefit students and the communities from which they come."

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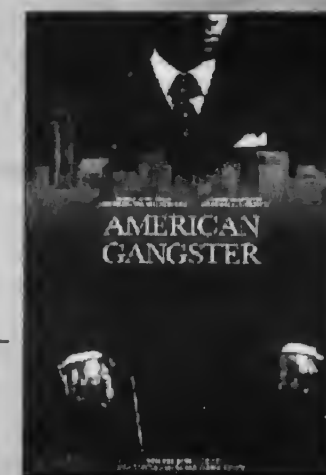
Entertainment Corner

Top Rock Singles:

- 1.) **Foo Fighters** The Pretender
- 2.) **Linkin Park** Bleed It Out
- 3.) **Jimmy Eat World** Chase This Light
- 4.) **Paramore** Misery Business
- 5.) **Seether** Fake It



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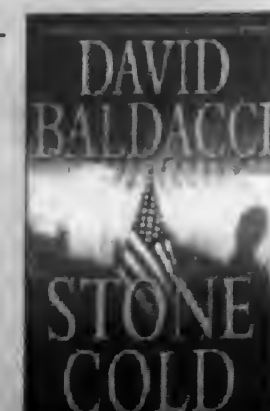
- 1.) **American Gangster**, R, Denzel Washington, Russel Crowe
- 2.) **Bee Movie**, PG, Jerry Seinfeld, Renee Zellweger
- 3.) **Saw IV**, R, Tobin Bell, Scott Patterson
- 4.) **Dan In Real Life**, PG-13, Steve Carell, Dane Cook
- 5.) **The Game Plan**, PG, The Rock, Madison Pettis



Featured Movie:
No Country for Old Men
R, Tommy Lee Jones, Javier Bardem

Featured Books:

Stone Cold David Baldacci
Rhett Butler's People Donald McCaig



Spotlight on Campus:



By **REBECCA HAZEN**
Flashlight Writer

Clarence Crisp is the director of student activities at Mansfield University.

Student Activities is in charge of organizing and putting together activities for Mansfield students to participate in.

Crisp's job involves "major programs working with various organizations." He is also the advisor for a handful of clubs including the Billiards Club, Diversity of Arts, and Mansfield Activities Council.

As the director of student activities, Crisp has a lot of interaction with students. His favorite aspect of his job is the students. "All of the challenges that the students have, I like to make that easier," Crisp said. "Whenever they need some kind of support or equipment, I end up being there a lot. I am there to make sure the transitions between them and the university are as smooth as possible."

Before coming to Mansfield, Crisp was a student majoring in psychology at New Mexico State University. "I was the director of admissions at Mansfield, and they asked me if I wanted this job, and I accepted. That was about 25 years ago," Crisp said.

Crisp enjoys being at Mansfield. "I like the location; I am kind of a country person myself. I do a lot of things outside of Mansfield. There are a lot of places surrounding us like Philadelphia and New York City," Crisp said. Because of this, he also thinks that this helps in planning a lot of the activities.

Crisp has a lot of different interests, and he believes that this helps with knowing the interests of the students. "I enjoy hunting, fishing, working on old cars, and construction work. You don't have so much bored time, there is always something to do," Crisp said. This is a goal of Student Activities, to make sure that there are things for the students to do.

According to the Mansfield University website, "Shaping Tomorrow's Leaders Through Involvement" is the motto of the Student Activities Office, recognizing that the university experience involves learning both in and outside of the classroom. To ensure a positive out-of-class educational experience, we offer a wide range of activities to supplement the in-class learning, to provide you with opportunities to gain valuable hands-on experience and to strengthen interpersonal skills. The Student Activities Office coordinates a variety of social, cultural, and recreational programs."

Crisp's attitude toward his job and the students reflect the motto. "Students need a place they can go to, where they can be challenged outside while still being a part of the university," Crisp said.

CLARENCE CRISP



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Clarence Crisp is the Director of Student Activities and advisor to Mansfield Activities Council, Billiards Club and Diversity of Arts. Crisp works to put together programming on the campus.



Zeta Tau Alpha raised \$350 from their annual Big Man On Campus event. The money will benefit Breast Cancer Awareness and Research. Jonah Klixbull, representing Delta Zeta, was crowned the "Big Man on Campus." The sisters of ZTA would like to thank everyone that helped with the event and those that came out to support the cause.

Org Sync is linking up organizations on campus

By **JAMIE CURTIS**
Flashlight Writer

Student Government Association (SGA) introduced the internet software Org Sync last month, as a useful tool for different organizations on campus.

Org Sync is an online platform that was created in 2003 by Cayce Stone in Austin Texas. It is a way to provide the essential tools and applications an organization needs to manage their members and communities.

Org Sync has features similar to those on the Mansfield University blackboard and Facebook websites. It allows members within organizations to post upcoming events on a monthly calendar, create to-do lists, track budgets and keep attendance records. It also allows the user to send out important information to all members within a group via email or text message, post discussion boards and polls. The program also allows members to upload videos, pictures and other files to their accounts. There is also an online store where organizations can promote and sell merchandise.

Mike Conaway is the President of the Mansfield University SGA and has been working to promote the new program. "We are one of the first 10 universities in the United States to have purchased this software and I feel that it

is going to take off," Conaway said.

Paul Overwise, is a senior history major, President of Sigma Tau Gamma, General Manager for the WNTE campus radio station and a member of SGA. "Org Sync will be an effective tool to organize clubs and help to get them to work together. Also, the fact that M.U. was one of the first schools to try this program shows that we are willing to take risks in an attempt to better the campus community," Overwise said. "This program has the potential to really bring the campus together."

Full access of Org Sync's features can only be obtained by members in an organization, but anyone who is interested in finding out more information about Org Sync can go to www.orgsync.com to access helpful videos and other links.

"I am going to be working on creating a public section where all students can access the campus organizations events calendar from a more noticeable link on the homepage. The Mansfield University events calendar is a tiny link at the bottom of the homepage that not a lot of people notice," Conaway said. "Many students say that there isn't much to do on campus and we're trying to create a campus-wide calendar so that all Mansfield University students can see all the possible upcoming events."

Butler studios gets a face lift

By **BEKA BROWN**
Flashlight Copy Editor

Butler Center is scheduled to upgrade its audio center studio following the fall semester.

The Pennsylvania Association of Broadcasters (PAB) supplied a grant of \$6,000. Mansfield University contributed an additional \$4,000 for the project. PAB allows all members to submit grant proposals to their "educational fund" for up to \$10,000 per year. Last year 28 educational projects were funded and this year, \$50,000 was set aside to fund the program.

There are two audio center studios in Butler where Audio Production, Television and Radio Announcing and Intro to Mass Media are taught. The current mixer boards in the studios are 28 years old and are experiencing technical issues. The two new Harris digital/analog audio consoles will provide students with higher quality. The other new equipment includes two Electro-Voice RE-20 microphones and two Marantz CD recorders. This broadcast quality equipment will be used to record student projects.

Jason Bump is a student and lab assistant in Butler Center. He explained that giving the audio center studio more digital equipment will be beneficial to students. "It will give us some experience on top of the line equipment. We will get to practice how to use digital boards. It will also make recording sound better because

the new microphones will provide a cleaner sound quality," Bump said. "Also, it will pretty much eliminate the need for analog equipment [cassette players] as it is getting dated."

Mansfield University professor Gary McIntyre was the lead writer on the grant proposal. Dr. Charles Hoy and Mr. James Lohrey also assisted in writing the grant. "Butler has had very old equipment for a long time," McIntyre said. "They've been upgrading in the past two years, but we were really in need of some new items." McIntyre explained that the new equipment will give Mansfield the ability to create broadcast industry quality productions. "If students are getting into audio or radio production they'll be able to train on equipment that is standard to their industry. It will give them more real world experience," McIntyre said.

Mark Polonia has worked in the Media Department at Mansfield University for 12 years. He is pleased to see Mansfield progress into the digital world. "The new equipment will bring cutting edge technology to the students, which can then be transferred to better job positioning upon graduation," Polonia said.

The new equipment will take about two days to install to the audio center studios at the end of the semester. This new equipment, if cared for properly, should last for 20 years or more. Students will have access to it in the spring of 2008.

Being a parent and a student - It's a tough job

By **JILL KAUFFMAN**
Flashlight Copy Editor

Kira Brock, a Mansfield University student, has formed an organization to support students with children, called the Mansfield Parent's Association (M.P.A.)

Brock is a parent in addition to being a student. She wants to address the issues that face parents who are students. "Some of the difficulties that I face as a parent and student are that the days that my children do not have child care I have to bring both of my children to class with me and it is really hard to try and focus on what the professor is talking about and making sure that my children are fine. Also, I worry about whether my children are disturbing anyone else in the class," Brock said.

The organization is geared towards parents, but all students are welcome. It allows parents to come together and share information and tips about childcare and balancing

classes and parenting. "There is not much information on campus as far as child care goes. It is here as a support network if anyone needs it," Brock said.

Brock wants to have more family oriented activities on campus. She also wants to arrange for speakers to come to campus and hopes to organize and attend workshops for parents. One such workshop is being held by TRiO on November 13 in 314 Alumni Hall and is called "Balancing Family and College." It runs from 12:45 p.m. to 2:15 p.m.

Brock would like to try to find a location on campus that has computers for the adults as well as a play area for the children for the meetings. "It is a hassle trying to find a place where they would be free to play and I can concentrate on my school work," Brock said. The M.P.A. meetings are every Thursday at 4 p.m. at Jazzman's Café in Alumni Hall.

22% of Pennsylvania's child sexual abuse victims are males: more than 92,000 men are raped each year in the U.S. If you are a male adult survivor of childhood sexual violence you are not alone, there is free and confidential help. Please call 570-724-3549 or 1-800-550-0447 to speak with an advocate.

CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Nov. 8 ~ 4 p.m.-6:30 p.m. Health Care Job Fair, Sayre Campus ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show, North Hall	9 ~ 7:30 p.m. Mansfield Brass Quintet ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show, North Hall ~ 8:30 a.m.-1 p.m. Visitation Day, Franklin Towers	10 ~ 8 p.m. Jazz Ensemble	11 ~ 3 p.m. Orchestra Concert	12 ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show, North Hall	13 ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show, North Hall	14 ~ 4 p.m. Lecture Series Event Dr. Edward Washington "Refigur- ing Sexual Stereotypes in Shakespeare's 'Titus Andronicus' and Dr. Kenneth Surin "The Un- expected Audience: Dis- covering the Student's Perspective in Academic Research," 517 AHUB
15 ~ 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Employer Day at Man- Behavioral Health, 110 Pinecrest ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show, North Hall	16 ~ 8 p.m. Greg Fullerton Concert Violin Recital ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show, North Hall	17 ~ 8 p.m. Open Work- shop Performance ~ 5:00 a.m. Trip to Washington, D.C.	18 ~ 5 p.m. Concert Wind Ensemble ~ 7 p.m. Open Work- shop Performance	19 ~ 7 a.m. John Ferrante, author of "Zen the Art of Public School Teach- ing" 307 AHUB ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show, North Hall	20 ~ 12:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. HIV Testing/ Counsell- ing, MHU Clinic ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show, North Hall	21 ~ Thanksgiving Break

What in the world? News in a flash by Carrie and Danelle

By DANELLE MILLER

Flashlight News Co-Editor

Hundreds of students and teachers from Iraqi universities have been kidnapped or killed since 2003 due to the civil war.

According to the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization, "Some academics are assassinated by Shia militants because they are suspected of collaborating with the regime under Sadaam Hussein; others are killed by Sunnis because they did not." Approximately 10,000 teachers have fled the country in the last five years.

Universities are dividing along sectarian lines. Students are choosing courses as well as universities based on whether they are run by Sunni's or Shiites. Student's also decide which schools or courses they would be able to speak more freely or have fewer confrontations.

"Every student who wants to enter a university now needs to ask: Is the college Sunni or Shia? Is the dean or president a Sunni or Shia?" a Baghdad University undergrad said.

Another issue Iraqi students deal with are al-las, also known as "chewers," who are informants that eavesdrop on conversations and watch the movements of others.

There is a Facilities Protection Service, comprised mainly of Mahdi Army fighters, who are loyal to Moqtada al-Sadr and are government appointed.

At Baghdad's Mustansiriya University, there are posters of Moqtada and of his father Mohammed Sadeq al-Sadr around the campus. Pro-Sadr

and anti-American graffiti is spray-painted on the walls of the university.

"Mustansiriya is a university totally controlled by the Sadr faction. Before, nobody could speak ill about Sadaam. Now nobody can speak ill about Moqtada," a Shiite instructor said.

At Baghdad's Mustansiriya University, Hamid Duleimi, a physics major, tried to sneak out of an after school celebration. He was stopped by a guard holding an AK-47 at the school gate.

"If this was a celebration for Sadaam's birthday, would you be leaving so soon?" the guard said. The guard then demanded to see Duleimi's jensiya or his national ID.

"To be asked for my jensiya means they want to know my sect," Duleimi said. He is a Sunni and the Mahdi Army are Shiites.

Duleimi quickly showed them his school ID and hurried off with a promise that he would bring his jensiya the next day.

The guards waited for him the next day he ran away and never returned to the school. Duleimi had found out that two of his classmates had been kidnapped and one was found dead.

"I'm still wanted by those Mahdi Army members. Mustansiriya isn't a place for learning anymore," Duleimi said.

Duleimi's name was changed to protect him from the Mahdi.

By DANELLE MILLER

Flashlight News Co-Editor

Turkey's president, Abdullah Gul, informed the United States of its decision to proceed against Kurdish rebels in northern Iraq.

Turkey feels that the Kurdish Rebels, also known as the PKK, will cause instability to one of the calmest regions in Iraq.

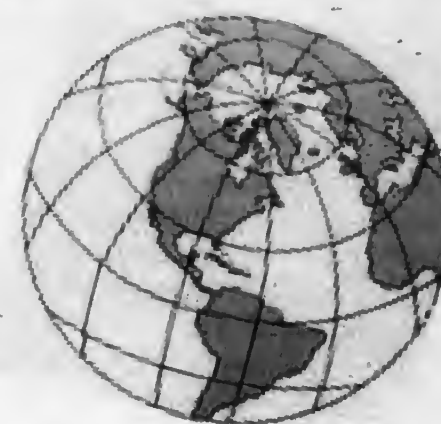
"Iraq's stability cannot be limited to fighting terrorism in Baghdad or other regions. The terrorist organization in the north is also disrupting Iraq's stability," Gul said.

The United States and Iraq have urged Turkey not to pursue a cross-border attack on the Kurdish Worker's Party (PKK).

President Bush promised to share military intelligence with the Turkish Prime Minister, Recep Tayyip Erdogan, regarding the PKK rebels.

"Turkey had made its preparations and had decided what to do on the issue before the prime minister left," Bush said.

Thousands of Turkish troops are stationed at the southeastern border of Iraq in case of an attack by the PKK before the winter season begins.



The Turkish public has pressured Erdogan to retaliate due to 40 hit-and-run attacks, primarily against soldiers, over the past month.

The United States and the European Union have labeled the PKK a terrorist group. President Bush has announced the rebels as "an enemy of Turkey, a free Iraq and the United States." He assured Turkey that the United States would provide support.

The White House is worried that if Turkey invades Iraq, there will be instability in the region. This could set a precedent for countries like Iran who also have problems with Kurdish rebels.

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This Week in Politics - National and Foreign News

By **CHRISTIAN JOHNSON**
Flashlight Writer

Violence in Iraq Down

According to the latest Associated Press tally, violent deaths among U.S. troops and Iraqi civilians fell sharply during the month of October. The number of Iraqi civilians killed fell from approximately 1,023 in September to 875 in October. However, Iraqi government figures show that 1,038 civilians were wounded in violence in October, which is higher than the 884 wounded in September. Iraqi data estimated that at least 330 insurgents were killed in October and 1,427 captured, down from 366 killed and 1,514 captured in September. Associated Press records show that deaths of U.S. military personnel in Iraq are down from 65 in September to 36 in October. These numbers are based on daily reports from police, hospital officials, morgue workers and legitimate witness accounts. In many areas of Iraq, especially the western province of Anbar, groups that once fought against U.S. troops have turned against al Qaeda militants.

Max Boot, a senior fellow at the Council on Foreign Relations said the decline in deaths reflects the success of the troop surge, a buildup of U.S. military personnel that reached 170,000. "I assume it's happening because the surge is working, and working even better than those who advocated it envisioned," Boot said. Opponents of the military presence in Iraq say that American troops are caught up in the middle of sectarian civil war with no end in sight. On the other hand, U.S. generals say that great improvements are being made as a result of a strategy that sent 30,000 extra troops into Iraq this year to secure Baghdad and other violent areas.

Death Rate for Afghan Children drops

On Nov. 4, Afghanistan President Hamid Karzai said that medical care in his country has improved so much that nearly 90,000 children who would have died before age 5 in 2001 will survive this year. Afghanistan is still one of the poorest and least developed countries in the world, but since the U.S.-led invasion in 2001, their access to medical attention has risen dramatically. Since the U.S. ousted the Taliban more than six years ago, Afghanistan has built thousands of health clinics and trained tens of thousands of doctors, vaccinators and health vol-

unteers. Before the invasion, Afghanistan's economy suffered from political and military unrest as well as a severe drought that lasted from 1998 to 2001. According to the ministry of Public Health, the under-5 child mortality rate in Afghanistan has declined from an estimated 257 deaths per 1,000 live births in 2001 to about 191 per 1,000 in 2006, which is a 25 percent drop. Adrian Edwards, the U.N. spokesperson in Afghanistan, has been paying close attention to these statistics since the U.S. riddance of the Taliban. "This is certainly very positive news. To come from such low life expectancy to see this improvement does appear to be an indication that the work on the health sector here is paying off," Edwards said.



GOOGLE IMAGES
Because of the U.S. occupation of Afghanistan, children have gained easier access to medical attention.



GOOGLE IMAGES
The suspects of the 2004 Madrid commuter train bombings have finally been sentenced to an unthinkable 40,000 years in prison.

21 Guilty in 2004 Madrid Train Bombings

Madrid, Spain- On Oct. 31, Spain's National Court convicted three main suspects in the Madrid commuter train bombings. The court sentenced them to 40,000 years in prison for the bombings that occurred on the morning of March 11, 2004. The lead suspects, Jamal Zougan, Othman and Emilio Suarez Trashorras were convicted of murder and attempted murder and will receive prison sentences ranging from 34,000 to 43,000 years. Yet, the most they will serve in jail is 40 years, because there is no death penalty or life imprisonment under Spanish law. Victims of the attack said they were shocked and saddened by the court's decision, which they saw as being far too lenient. Many grew angry as an accused ringleader was acquitted altogether. Pilar Manjon's 20 year old son was killed in the attacks. "The verdict seems soft to us. I don't like it that murderers are going free," Manjon said. Manjon has become a leader of a March 11 victim's association. Overall, there were 28 defendants in the trial, 21 were found guilty on a range of charges from forgery to murder.

The attack, which killed 191 people and wounded 2,050, was said to have been directed by al Qaeda inspired terrorist cell. According to the European Strategic Intelligence and Security Center, the bombings were the only Islamic terrorist act in the history of Europe where international Islamists collaborated with non-Muslims.

Belief in supernatural not so weird after all, say scientists

By **BRITTANY SERAFINI**
Flashlight Writer

Can't shake the notion of being watched? Thought you saw something floating across the room? Believing in the supernatural does not take some sort of strange, clairvoyant mind. According to Newsweek, cognitive scientists now say that belief in the supernatural has the same mental processes that are involved in everyday reasoning and perception.

These "mental processes" include the neurons' abilities to fill-in-blanks. They take unfinished, distorted information and make it a neat, complete image. Newsweek used an example: visualize four Pac-Man-like black shapes arranged so that the wedge removed from each seems to form a corner of a white square. The visual neurons that are supposed to fire when they register the square's edges do so, even though there are not any edges to the square.

The brain is also driven to see patterns, which is why constellations exist. This ability to seek out patterns may underlie some supernatural beliefs, such as seeing Jesus in the bread of a grilled-cheese sandwich.

Bruce Hood, a psychology professor at the University of Bristol, has studied and done experiments with people's supernatural beliefs.

"If a stain looks like the Virgin Mary," Hood said, "then it is a divine sign and not a coincidence. If the wind in the cave sounds like a voice, then it is a voice."

Time patterns can exist as well. Consider the tales of athletes that may wear the same underwear at every sporting competition. If the athlete should decide she wants to be skeptical about her underwear and sport a different pair, chances are she will be so tense about not wearing the talisman that she will be more likely to lose.

The brain also gives consciousness to inanimate objects, such as when people yell at their computers, televisions, or cars. According to Hood, this is what causes people to believe that (super)natural phenomena are "purposeful, caused by agents with sentient minds." It is close to believing that "things that go bump in the night" are the result of some spirit or agent, not the branches brushing against your drainpipe," Hood said.

In one of his more informal experiments, Hood held up

a cardigan sweater in front of a large audience in London and asked if anyone would be willing to wear it if he paid her or him £20 (about \$40). All hands went up. Then, Hood said the sweater had been worn by a notorious murderer, and almost all the hands went down.

"People view evil as something physical, even tangible, and able to infect the sweater as easily as lice," Hood said.

Scientists have found that dopamine may be an underlying cause of superstitions. In one study, two groups of people, either believers in the supernatural or skeptics, viewed quickly displayed images of faces and scrambled faces, real words and nonwords. The goal was to pick out the real ones. Skeptics called more real faces nonfaces, and real words nonwords. On the other hand, believers saw faces and words even when there weren't any. Then, skeptics were given L-dopa, a drug that increases dopamine, and their skeptical threshold fell, causing them to ID more faces and words as real. That suggested that dopamine inclines the brain to see patterns even in random noise.

Student security measure labeled "appalling"

By BRITTANY SERAFINI
Flashlight Writer

Students are being tracked by microchips at a secondary school in the UK. The microchips are embedded into the school uniforms and track students' movements. When students get to class, their arrival is registered on the teacher's computer. Teachers can also be alerted if a child is likely to misbehave.

The microchip connects with the teachers' computers and shows the student's photograph, academic performance and whether the student is in the correct classroom. It can also restrict access to certain areas of the school.

The radio frequency identification (RFID) system is being tested at Hungerhill School in Doncaster, South Yorkshire. Ten pupils are wearing them in a trial that began eight months ago.

The microchip's use has been criticized by human rights campaigners.

"Tagging is what we do to prisoners we let out of prison early," said David Cleater, a member of Leave Them Kids Alone, an organization against the fingerprinting of students. "It is appalling."

Head teacher of Hungerhill School, Graham Wakeling, denied the allegations that the school is adopting a "Big Brother" mentality.

"The system is not intrusive to the pupil in the slightest," he said. "The benefit is that it provides the immediate registration of the pupil as they enter the

classroom. This supports staff as they are getting to know pupils. All the information it provides is already stored on the school information management system." Wakeling said the children were all volunteers taking part in a science project.

The microchip's inventor, Trevor Darnborough, said the chip offers several advantages, including offering accurate and speedy registration of pupils, ensuring child security, providing visual confirmation of attendance to help cover teachers and easy data input for the school's behavioral and reporting system.

Darnborough, who runs Darnbro Ltd., said after the "successful trial" at Hungerhill School, his project will be ready to jump into the £300 million school clothing market.

A spokesperson for the Department of Children, Schools and Families said the electronic registration was intended for logging attendance on the school's database, not "logging every detail of every pupil via covert means."

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(below, right) The Radio Frequency Identification System is the newest controversy regarding the protection of identification rights.

(below, left) The Verichip Co. started the controversy with their implanted ID chip.



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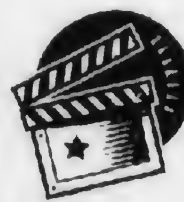
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March 21-April 19

Today is perfect for starting that new business or creative project -- anything that needs a big initial push. You've got plenty of good energy, but it needs to be directed outward to do much for you.

CANCER

June 22-July 22

Things aren't really going the way you want them to, but that's no reason to give up. You can still make the best of a not-that-bad situation, as long as you keep it positive and get all the help you can.

LIBRA

September 23-October 22

Your energy is perfect for romantic engagements of all kinds and that could mean that you meet someone new. It could also be time to reinvigorate your relationship -- you know what to do!

CAPRICORN

December 22-January 19

You are spending far more energy than usual on your work or chores, but it might be tough to really connect with the people you see every day. They're not as serious-minded as you, but that'll change soon.

TAURUS

April 20-May 20

Your coworkers are much easier to get along with than usual, which may or may not be a big deal. It's a good time to forge stronger alliances and to end any old arguments that may be holding you back.

LEO

July 23-August 22

Your romantic energy is perfectly attuned to your sweetie or whomever you're most attracted to now -- so see if you can get together! Even just a quick sit-down can be incredibly sweet today.

SCORPIO

October 23-November 21

It's a great day for brainstorming, as long as you're part of a group. The social energy should drive your brain to come up with all kinds of great ideas, at least a few of which should be winners.

AQUARIUS

January 20-February 18

You're filled with good energy and should use at least some portion of it to help deal with some personal business that has been holding you back for a while. Clearing the slate has never been easier!

GEMINI

May 21-June 21

Your creative energy is practically overflowing today and you can't keep yourself from starting one new project after another. The good news -- well, the even better news -- is that other folks will pick them up later.

VIRGO

August 23-September 22

You can't make up your mind about some issue that is more important than it appears to others. It's okay to spend some time waffling, but eventually you must take a definite step in one direction or another.

SAGITTARIUS

November 22-December 21

People are lined up around the block looking for answers and you're the one who's handing them out. Even if you're not totally sure what you're talking about, most everyone will be satisfied with what you have to say.

PISCES

February 19-March 20

Debts are a big deal today -- especially those you are owed. Money, favors or pretty much anything else can be exchanged and you might be able to make a difference in your life by calling a few in.

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Pool Cues Go Unused In Disappointing Bar Fight

SIoux CITY, IA—Patrons of the Clover Leaf Tavern expressed dismay Saturday after a fight between Jeffrey Kline, 32, and James Dougherty, 30, ended without either participant breaking one of the establishment's numerous pool cues over the other's head.

"The whole thing was a big letdown," bartender Kurt Neelan said of the anticlimactic brawl, during which not one person present was thrown through a table or plate glass window, nor threatened with a beer bottle broken on the edge of the bar. "It was all over in about 30 seconds. The least you'd expect is

for someone to get slid head-first down the length of the entire bar, or have their face rammed through the jukebox, prompting a wild honky-tonk song."

Witnesses were further dissatisfied later that evening when patron Carl Hume's car failed to explode after an inebriated Hume over-turned the vehicle in an attempt to jump a curb in the bar's parking lot.

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REUTERS WEIRD NEWS

Court orders goat thief to say sorry

SYDNEY - An Australian woman who stole a pet goat and was involved in slaughtering it in a mock Satanic ritual in a church, was ordered by a court on Monday to apologize to the church and the dead goat's owners.

Tracey Arnold, 26, was drinking with friends at a Friday the 13th party in 2006 when she decided to steal the pet goat named "Maddie" from the front garden of a house in the northern city of Brisbane, local media reported from the court.

The partygoers then broke into a local church, dragging the goat onto a raised platform and killed it in a mock Satanic ritual, reported Brisbane's Courier Mail newspaper.

The goat's head was later found by police in the freezer of Arnold's home,

along with a camera containing photos of members of the group with the head.

Arnold's lawyer told the Brisbane Magistrates Court that his client did not have a "macabre disposition" but that when she drank alcohol she made poor decisions.

Magistrate John Costello ordered Arnold to apologize in person to the goat's owners and the Bellbowrie Community Church and undergo psychiatric treatment.

Arnold was also ordered to pay A\$70 (US\$64) in compensation to the goat's owners and \$1,535 for damage caused to the church.

- Tue Nov 6, 2007

"American Gangster:" Lives up to potential?

By MIKE LENGEL
Features Editor

With its cast and crew, *American Gangster* looked as if it could be the best movie... well, ever. Denzel Washington and Russel Crowe, both Academy Award winners and arguably two of the best actors of our age, and director Ridley Scott had all the tools necessary to build it to that level: a great story, a great script, and most importantly: themselves.

The film is based on the true story of 1960's New York City drug-lord, Frank Lucas, whom Washington plays. Lucas started out as a bookie and collector for Raymond "Bumpy" Johnson and when he dies, Lucas decides not to wait to inherit the fortune, but to start his own dynasty. What makes him different, however, is that in his operations, he has no middleman: he gets his product directly from Vietnam. At the height of his career, Frank Lucas was more powerful than any other criminal organization including the Mafia when it came to dope dealing.

The action scenes, which are Ridley Scott's specialty, are real, suspenseful, energetic, but also limited. One expecting an action filled shoot 'em up might get frustrated. This doesn't mean, however, that the movie is slow. Steve Zaillian's writing shines and never lets up on keeping us tied to the plot.

Washington puts forth a great effort to pull off the character; but we've seen this monumental performance before. In movies like *Training Day*, *Inside Man*, *Man On Fire*, and *John Q*, Washington plays the tough, arrogant, calm-like-a-bomb, studly gentleman. But, he pulls it off well each time, allowing the character to adapt itself, and letting Washing-

ton avoid the type-cast.

About the same can be said for Russel Crowe. He plays Richie Roberts, the Jersey cop who almost single-handedly brings down Lucas. Crowe likes to play the underdogs, like in *Gladiator*, *Cinderella Man*, or *Mystery, Alaska*. But like Washington, the roles require a different frame of mind, and even a different accent, which is probably tough for the Australian. Crowe's portrayal stands out as the best in the film, as he places himself in a cornucopia of mind frames: the failed father and husband, the studly tough-guy cop, the aspiring lawyer, and the dedicated Lucas-catcher.

Finally, *American Gangster* is certainly better than most drug-lord ballads, but those who have hyped the movie to its full potential might be left a little disappointed. Overall, it's not the best performance by anyone involved, but definitely worth the watch.



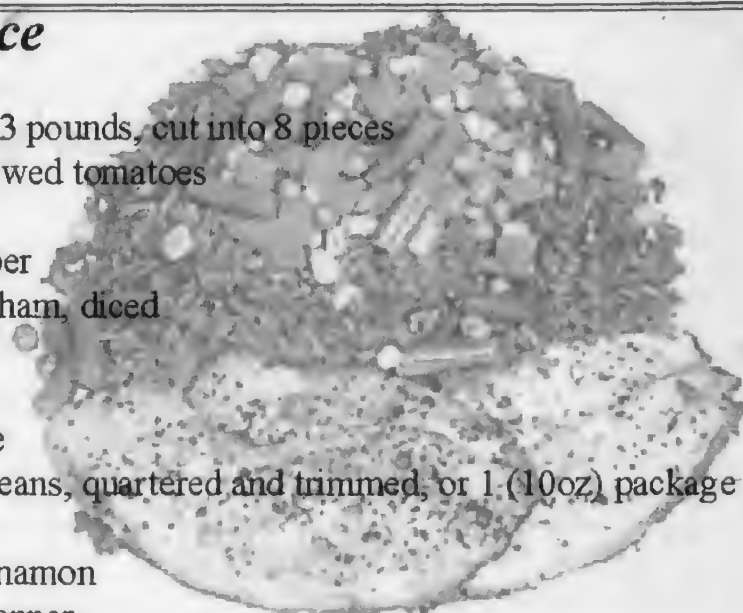
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MISO's International Corner

This week: A Ghanaian Recipe

Ghana Jollof Rice

- 2 cups Water
- 1 broiler chicken, about 3 pounds, cut into 8 pieces
- 2 (14.5 oz each) cans stewed tomatoes
- 2 teaspoons Salt
- 1/4 teaspoon Black pepper
- 3/4 cup cooked smoked ham, diced
- 1 cup Uncooked rice
- 1 large onion, sliced
- 3 cups shredded cabbage
- 1/2 pound Fresh green beans, quartered and trimmed, or 1 (10oz) package frozen green beans
- 1/4 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon Cayenne pepper



Pour water into a large Dutch oven or other cooking pot. Add the chicken, tomatoes, salt, and pepper. Cover and bring to a boil; reduce heat and simmer for 30 minutes. Stir in ham, rice, onion, cabbage, green beans, cinnamon, and cayenne pepper. Bring to a boil, and then reduce heat to low. Cover and simmer until the chicken is fork-tender and the rice is cooked, about 25 to 30 minutes.

Serves 6 to 8.

Ghana is located in West Africa. This is a very popular dish in West Africa, although the ingredients may vary. We hope you enjoy making it, or at least trying!

"The International Corner" is designed by the Mansfield International Students Organization. MISO meets every Friday @ 5pm in Alumni 307. We would love to see you there!

Student Art Spotlight:

Have any photography? Poetry? What about a drawing or a painting? If so, submit it to the new Flashlight Student Art Spotlight! Submit entries to flashlit@mansfield.edu



Rebecca Hazen, photography

These pictures were taken on my trip to Europe over Spring Break in my sophomore year of high school. I went with my two Aunts, and we spent a week in London England, taking a side trip to Paris, France for the day.

How to MANSFIELD

By MIKE

Feature



A.) AVOID CARPIAC HILL AT ALL COSTS.

You know that feeling you get when you're halfway up the hill, and you feel like you're dying? Well, imagine that, and then add snow and ice. I wouldn't even doubt that if you fell, you'd slide all the way back down like a penguin. If you even try driving up or down during the winter, unless you have a beast of a truck with chains on the tires, you're downright insane.



Don't let that pretty scenery fool you - this thing is a death slide in the winter.

B.) CLAIM YOUR PERSONAL SLEDDING HILLS EARLY.

Aside from the Slide of Death (see above), the whole campus is pretty much one big sledding hill. Last year, during the snowstorm, I wouldn't doubt that I saw everyone and their mothers outside sliding down the hills behind Kelchner, behind Cedarcrest, in front of Hemlock and this big one beside Maple.



Watch out for the road and the light poles at the bottom - unless you don't care much for your bones.

D.) CHECK OFTEN FOR CANCELLED CLASSES

Hey, sometimes it's a stretch, but some professors don't live in Mansfield. You might even have to make a little sacrifice and get up a few minutes early so you don't walk all the way there with your snow dogs, only to find out you don't have class. Imagine how upset those huskies would be.

Heyyyyyyyyy, Fonzy
likes cancelled classes!



C.) YEAH, THERE'S ANOTHER PLACE TO DRINK.

Tired of Manser? Of course you are. Jazz teas, etcetera, all of which can be made hot or cold (very likely), stop in and grab a mocha latte. There are also beer and a beautiful view of the snow covered campus.

Survive a UP WINTER

KE LENGEL
ures Editor



AT BESIDES MANSER... GO TO JAMMANS.

Jammans has a better selection of sandwiches, coffees, or cold. So, if you're freezing in between class (which is There's even a lounge spot with a TV, couches, comput-campus.

E.) DONT DRESS LIKE THIS GUY.

Somehow, Ebo was blessed with the cold tolerance of a polar bear. It's doubtful that the rest of us have this gift, so dressing in gym shorts and a single t-shirt in the middle of winter is probably not the smartest thing in the world. Not to mention, the guy never matches. So if you're going to dress like its August in the frozen tundra of Mansfield, at least look good doing it.

Please - a coat
maybe? Just once?

Who needs Starbucks?



F.) DRESS LIKE THIS GIRL.

Too bad she's not
really outside. But
she's probably still
warmer than Ebo.

Carrie's got the right idea. She's got a little hoodie action, along with the stylish-but-warm coat, and even a little scarf action going on. Warm, toasty, and ready to take on the blinding blizzard.

Opinion & Editorial

"from the editor's desk"



Changes and additions - Hope you enjoy!

In my last few weeks as editor of The Flashlight I'm trying to really improve the paper for you - the students. I really want The Flashlight to be a student newspaper. I know the administration reads it and I know that a good amount of students read it, but I would love if more students read it.

We're starting several things

this semester that are going to carry over into next, if they're successful. In order to determine if they're successful we'll need input from everyone on campus, good, bad, whatever you have to say - we want to hear it. With that said, I would just like to go over a few of the changes that we're starting.

First, you may have noticed that the flashlight is a little thicker this week. We have added four more pages to The Flashlight so we can expand on our coverage of the campus. I feel as though this edition has come out quite successful and I hope that you all enjoy our increased coverage.

The Arts & Entertainment section made the biggest leap by

taking on two more pages. We've added horoscopes, an international corner that will feature a new international recipe each week. We've also added a Student Art Spotlight. If you have photos, poetry or drawings that you would like to see published, simply e-mail them to the Flashlight's account and they'll be printed every week. Also be on the lookout next week for a brand new advice column. In the opinion section different leaders from other major campus organizations will be writing guest editorials.

In the coming weeks look for more additions to The Flashlight and don't be afraid to give us suggestions! If there is something that you would like to see in the paper,

we will try our best to make it work.

Above all else the Flashlight is here to serve the students. It is a student run newspaper for the student body. We are here to give you all the news, sports and entertainment that you need. So again, enjoy reading and be on the lookout!

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Letters TO THE Editor

Is the Editor of The Flashlight too negative?

Who else is sick of the editor's issues?

I am currently a sophomore at this university. Frankly, I am ecstatic that the editor of the flashlight is graduating this spring. I am extremely sick and tired of her using the flashlight as a bitch session about the University. It's as if the only thing she knows how to do is complain. If I am correct, a few issues back she complained that everyone else was complaining and not doing anything about it. Well, what has she done to change anything that she has complained about? Nothing, instead of just complaining to friends like most of us do, she uses her power as editor to print her complaints. In all honesty, is that not just more complaining? Does that resolve anything that she complains about? Another point is that the editor should really check facts before printing complaints. Freshman are scheduled with 16 credits their first semester. Yes, 16, not 13. During my first semester I took 16 credits. My roommate as well as all freshman last year, and as far as I know, this year as well, were scheduled with classes, equaling 16 credits. Also the editor complains that she did not get one class in her major her first semester, even coming in as a declared student. Did she even attempt to do anything about that? Miss Editor, I know for a fact that students, even as a first semester freshmen, have a say in their schedule. True, the university plans a schedule for them, but within the first week, as paying college students, we hold the right to add/drop classes at our discretion. I speak this with confidence, because I changed an English class within the first two days of classes. Likewise, my roommate, was scheduled for oral communications first semester, but did not want to take it at that time, so dropped that class and also picked up an English class. So you see, Miss Editor, you come across as a person who is full of complaints but no will to take action. Reality check, you are about to graduate, but if all you do in life is go bitch about things; you are going to live a sad life. I hope to one day pick up an issue of the flashlight and be able to read it without seeing an editorial full of complaints.

- Megan Kujawa

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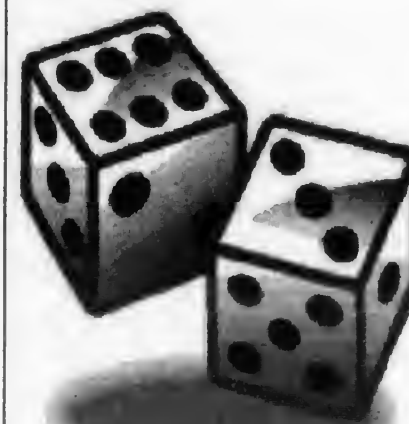
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A. Jack Nicholson B. Robert Redford C. Clint Eastwood D. Paul Newman
4. What college was Normal Dale fired from before coming the Hickory head coach?
A. Syracuse B. Ithaca C. Mansfield D. Duke
5. What was the name of the assistant coach in the movie?
A. Killer B. Shooter C. Williams D. Booty
6. Where did the state title game take place?
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7. In real life, what NBA great played for the opponent and lost to Hickory?
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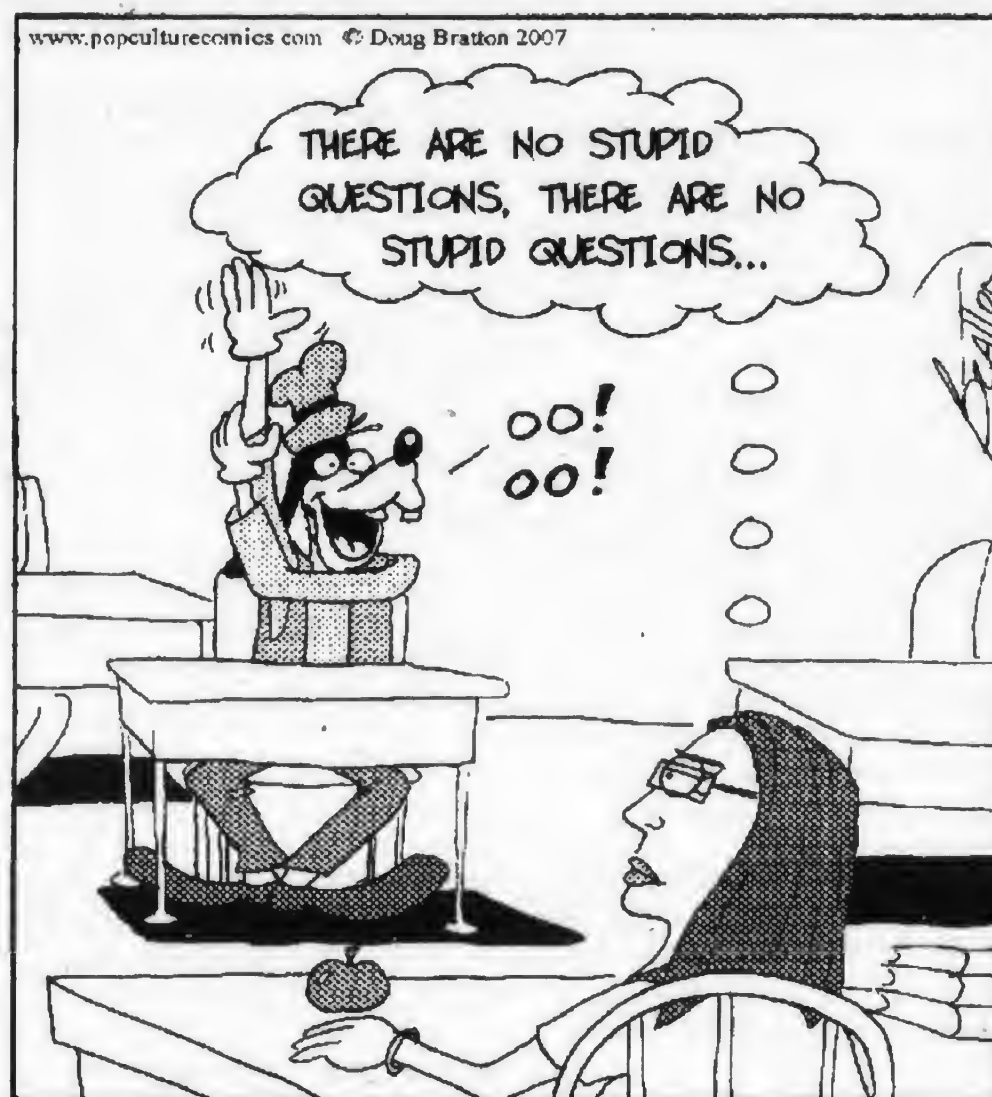
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On the Sidelines with John Hampton: What an athlete should be

By NICOLE HAGAN
Flashlight Sports Writer

It's Mansfield's exhibition basketball game against the McMaster Marauders. As the Mountaineers get the tip-off and Chris Greene takes the ball down the court to make the first basket of the night, I can't help but notice that one of Mansfield's leading scorers and team leaders is absent from the game.

John Hampton, a senior guard from Philadelphia, PA, sat on the bench Friday night due to a groin injury. Averaging a team best of 14.6 points per game and ranked in the top 15 in five different offensive categories in the PSAC, Hampton's injury is only a minor setback in the goals he hopes to accomplish this season.

Rich Miller, coach of the men's basketball team, commented on the injury. "We are looking forward to getting John out on the floor as soon as possible. He is still trying to recover from an injury, but I expect him to come back and have an outstanding senior season," Miller said.

Hampton's college basketball career has been one of hard work and dedication. Working his way from the bottom up, he's become one of the team leaders both on and off the court. Aside from being a member of the BSU (Black Students Union) and Men for Progress, he also led the team last year with 41 steals and started in all 28 games.

Coach Miller recognizes Hampton's efforts.

"Thank you for doing a story on John Hampton," Miller said. "I think John is a great example of what a Mansfield University Student-Athlete is. He is a very hard worker, very dedicated, and has great leadership skills. For us, he is a player that can score in a variety of ways; he can shoot, go to the basket, or hit the mid range shot. He is one of our best defenders as well. He should have been an all-conference player last year, but hopefully he will get that recognition this season."

I came from the exhibition game Friday night with little notes on the play of John Hampton. Nonetheless, after meeting with him and taking the time to sit down and acknowledge his efforts, I learned about an individual who symbolizes the ideal of hard work and commitment. He expressed to me a form of sincerity and realness that only comes through dedication. It was this passion for the game and this perseverance that remained prevalent during our interview in the library.

Nicole Hagan: How long have you been playing basketball?

John Hampton: I've played since I was eight years old.

NH: Did you play any other sports growing up?

JH: Yeah, I played football and tennis.

NH: So, why did you choose basketball instead of football or tennis?

JH: I thought I was too small for football and there was no tennis team here at Mansfield University. Plus, I just love basketball.

NH: How did you get into basketball? How did your love for the game begin?

JH: Well, my Dad was a basketball player; a good basketball player. I guess my talent for the game is kind of hereditary. I've just always loved the sport. From eight years old until today, I've just always loved basketball.

NH: Why did you decide to come to Mansfield University?

JH: Actually, I didn't decide to go here at first and I didn't decide on going here for basketball.

NH: Your coach mentioned this vaguely to me. He said "John is someone who was given a chance to play basketball at Mansfield... he wasn't really 'recruited'... but he made the most of that chance."

JH: Well, I couldn't play originally because my SAT scores were too

low. I was recruited by some Division I schools, but they dropped me because of the scores. I ended up talking to this man named Lee Bostic, who was a recruiter, and he pointed me in the direction of Mansfield University. I was a walk on when I got here and wasn't eligible to play (because of my SAT's). Nonetheless, I worked at it and now I'm here playing college basketball.

NH: How do you train to get prepared for the season? (Both you as an individual and the team as a whole)

JH: As an individual, I know that I need to become mentally tough for the long season. I would play in different basketball leagues during the summer and workout. I didn't really do that this season, though, because of my injury. As for the team, we do a lot of conditioning, we run track, do gym workouts and just try to build endurance for the long season.

NH: You mentioned that you had an injury that prevented you from preseason training and I noticed in Friday's game that you didn't play. What did you injure and how did you do it?

JH: I tore a ligament in my groin.

NH: When do you think you'll be able to play again?

JH: Well, my first full practice was yesterday and I should be ready for our first game against Lemoyne College. I'm determined to be a starter again. We have a scrimmage at York and another one on Friday against Scranton. I'll see if I'm able to play in those games, but I'm definitely determined to play in our first game of the season against Lemoyne.

NH: Do you think you'll be behind in practice?

JH: Right now, I'm behind because I wasn't able to participate in a lot of preseason conditioning. Nonetheless, I'm going to work hard and come back strong.

NH: How important do you think it is that the team gets off to a good start next week against Lemoyne?

JH: I think it's extremely important to get off to a good start. Last year, we lost our first two games and it definitely took away some of our momentum. Our first few games this season are against non-conference teams so we need to keep up the momentum early and maintain it throughout the season.

NH: The team has done really well the past couple of years with making it to the playoffs; minus last year where you guys just missed them. Are there any changes in strategy for this season or are there any special goals you guys have for the season?

JH: Our goals for this season are to win the division and then win the PSAC conference championship. We really haven't made any changes in strategy. We just plan to work hard and continue playing good defense.

NH: So far, what has been your most rewarding experience through college basketball?

JH: Just being able to play college basketball is my most rewarding experience. Because I've played it my entire life, I thought it would come easy. But I realized that I had to work hard to play college basketball and that nothing will be handed to me.

NH: So far, what has been your most difficult task to overcome through college basketball?

JH: My injury is something I'm having a difficult time with. Not being on the court and not being able to lead the team because of this injury is hard for me. It makes me realize how being healthy is so essential in life. It's just really hard not being able to play, especially when basketball is such a big part of my life.



NH: What motivates you to play basketball?

JH: The love for the game. It's been my whole life and has kept me out of trouble. Most of all, my motivation is just the love for the game.

NH: Who has been your biggest influence or role model and why?

JH: My father and my mother are definitely my biggest role models. My Dad went to Cheyney University. He was a great player. I want to be better than him. By that I mean, I just want push myself to be better. My mother is a strong person who's been through a lot. I realize I haven't been through nearly as many things as she has. Through her strength, she gives me strength.

NH: Do you, personally, have any goals for this season?

JH: I want to win the PSAC conference. Last year we were 5-7 and we would have made the playoffs, except we lost the last game. One of our players missed their foul shots that could have tied the game up. Regardless, that's the past. We're over it. Now, we're just looking forward. We're looking to start fresh and win some games.

NH: What are your plans for after graduation?

JH: You know, that's a good question. The funny thing is, even though I've been a business management major for four years, I don't want to do anything with business when I'm finished with college. I would actually like to work with kids. I was thinking of going to graduate school and becoming an education major or something. But really, all I know is that I would really like to work with kids.

NH: Explain to me what it's like to be a part of the men's basketball team.

JH: It's tough at times because you go through a lot; the conditioning and the tough losses. But overall, being on a team gives you somebody to lean on; creates a close bond between you and your teammates. It's easy to communicate with the guys; they're my second family. I love our coach and I just love being a part of the team. I'm very fortunate to be here.

NH: Is there anything else you'd like to add?

JH: Well, aside from saying "thank you" for doing this article, I just want to say that I want to get healthy and make the most of the season. This is my last year and hopefully it will end on a strong note. I just want the opportunity to play. So thank you again, and I hope that everyone comes out to support the team.

Swim team starting to find their stroke

By Eric Bohannon
Flashlight Sports Editor

The Mansfield University swimmers went out of their element this weekend at their meet at Lock Haven. The swimmers swam in different races than they did in the previous two meets. "We got to see how they are progressing and their abilities in different races," head coach Danita Fox said. "We also did it to give them variety."

Senior Maureen Maikner took advantage of the opportunity and won the 200 breaststroke and took second place in the 200 free. Maikner finished the breaststroke in 2:41.31, which is only six seconds off to qualify for

the PSAC championships. "We will be adding that focus to her training," Fox said of preparing Maikner for the breaststroke. "She ran really well in both events and ran personal best times in both events."

Maikner was also pleased with her performance. "I felt great, I did better than I thought I would do," Maikner said. "Since I don't swim these races that I often I didn't feel any pressure. I just had fun and wanted to make the best of it. I thought as a team we did well too. Everyone was supportive and had a good time."

Freshman Katie Stillitano took second place in the 200 Individual Medley with a time of 1:52.91. "She struggled a bit with the difference in distance training philosophy, but she started to get the jist of it this week," Fox said. "She swam well this week. She did the IM in high school and will continue to train her for distance and IM races."

Freshman Amy Hoffman came in second in the 50 free with a time of :27.91 and sophomore Sarah Koontz finished in third place with a time of 1:00.83. "They are both sprinters and train for the 50, 100 and 200 free events," Fox said. "I usually separate them in different events so we can get more points than if I put them in the same race."

Tricia Learn took second place in the 1000 free with a time of 12:02.87.

The team will travel to Kutztown University to compete in a tri-meet with Edinboro and Kutztown on Saturday November 10.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Maureen Maikner is the only senior on the swim team this year. Maikner swam a personal best on Saturday in the 200 breaststroke and the 200 free.

Pep Rally being held for start of Winter sports season

By PAT LAHR
Flashlight Sports Writer

The 2007-08 college basketball season is coming up fast. Gyms and field houses all over the country are starting to rock with the energy of student bodies cheering for their teams. Decker Gym is no exception.

To kick the season off right, the Student Government Association's Spirit Committee is holding a Winter Sports Pep Rally in Decker Gym on Wednesday, Nov. 14 at 8 p.m. Decker Gym will be filled with students, faculty and local fans to help give the Mansfield women's and men's basketball teams a boost before the start of their seasons.

Greg Lech, the chairperson of the Spirit Committee, has high expectations of the event. "It hasn't been done in a while so we thought it would be a great idea," Lech said. "Everyone is going to be there: swim team, track, cheerleaders, dance team and of course the basketball teams."

The newly formed MU Crew, a project of the spirit committee, will be handing out 300 of their signature t-shirts to students. There will be other similar giveaways throughout the season.

"We're hoping that MU Crew eventually grows to fill one whole side of the gym," Lech said. "Filling both sides would mean having close to 1,000 students come to games, which would be awesome."

The other main event of the pep-rally will be the culmination of the Spirit Committee Banner Contest. Organizations and dorm floors are able to make a twin-sheet sized banner in support of Mansfield Basketball. There will be four \$100 dollar winners. Coach Rich Miller, Coach Ruth Hermansen and the men's and women's teams will each be selecting their favorite banners.

"It should be a great time and an excellent way to start what we hope is a successful season for both the Men and the Women," Lech said.

NFL picks of the week

Week 10	Eric Bohannon Sports Editor	Mike Lengel Features Editor	Kara Newcomer Editor-in-Chief	Danelle Miller Co-news Editor	Carrie Goodyear Co-News Editor	Carl Frederick Former Mansfield Sports Editor and football player
Overall	40-28	36-32	39-29	32-36	43-25	41-27
Last Week	9-5	8-6	7-7	8-6	7-7	9-5
Eagles @ Redskins	Redskins	Eagles	Eagles	Redskins	Eagles	Eagles
Bills @ Dolphins	Dolphins	Bills	Dolphins	Bills	Bills	Bills
Rams @ Saints	Saints	Saints	Saints	Saints	Saints	Saints
Vikings @ Packers	Packers	Vikings	Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers
Broncos @ Chiefs	Chiefs	Chiefs	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos	Chiefs
Browns @ Steelers	Browns	Browns	Steelers	Steelers	Steelers	Steelers
Falcons @ Panthers	Panthers	Panthers	Panthers	Falcons	Panthers	Panthers
Jaguars @ Titans	Jaguars	Titans	Titans	Jaguars	Titans	Titans
Bengals @ Ravens	Ravens	Bengals	Ravens	Bengals	Bengals	Ravens
Cowboys @ Giants	Giants	Cowboys	Giants	Cowboys	Cowboys	Giants
Lions @ Cardinals	Lions	Lions	Lions	Lions	Lions	Cardinals
Bears @ Raiders	Bears	Bears	Bears	Bears	Raiders	Raiders
Colts @ Chargers	Chargers	Colts	Colts	Colts	Colts	Chargers
49ers @ Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks	49ers	Seahawks	Seahawks

Cross Country rebounds with solid performance at regionals

Senior Chris Cummings becomes first Mountaineer to ever qualify for nationals

By ALLEN BENNETT

Special to the Flashlight

On Saturday afternoon, the Mansfield University Cross Country team performed well at the NCAA Division II East Regional Championships at Lock Haven University.

It was a good day for both the men's and women's teams with the men finishing fifth out of 25 teams for the highest team finish in school history. The women bounced back from a disappointing finish last week in the PSAC Championships to finish 12 out of 24 teams.

"It was the best cross country performance for any team that I coached here or otherwise," head coach Mike Rohl said. "It is the best performance ever by any team both men and women."

Senior Chris Cummings finished third overall with a time of 31:11 to earn a trip to the NCAA Division II National Championship in two weeks at Missouri Southern State University. His third place finish was the highest finish ever in school history in a men's regional championship. Cummings is the only male runner in the schools history to earn a trip to the NCAA Championships in cross country, indoor or outdoor track.

"Chris is probably the best athlete in school history, bar none," Rohl said. "He can do it all, a super athlete to work with, extremely dedicated and extremely disciplined. He has a lot of confidence in himself now. I think we're going to hear about Chris running for the

Olympic trials someday."

Just as impressive as Cummings was fellow senior Josh Wooten who finished eighth overall with a time of 31:30. This earned him All-NCAA East Regional honors. "Josh has been the soul of our team, the central part," Rohl said.

Senior Dave Sanford rebounded from a tough race last week at the PSAC championships to finish in 43 with a time of 33:12. "Dave is a mature athlete who has high expectations of himself," Rohl said. "He got down on himself last week and he relaxed this week and performed better. He is more resilient than he even realized."

Just as equally impressive were the three freshmen. Joe Stanek, who also struggled last week, finished in 46 with a time of 33:21. "Joe is a good talent that was disappointed with himself last week," Rohl said. "On Saturday he showed that he belongs in a college race."

Duke Opdyke finished 67 with a time of 33:41. "Duke believes in what we are doing here as a program," Rohl said. "When the chips are down he picks up the slack. I knew he would have a good race this week." Sean Vollenweider finished 95 with a time of 34:53, and John-Mark Stoltz finished 101 with a time of 35:07.

The power houses of the women's team were freshman Brenae Edwards and junior

Clarissa Correll. Edwards finished 30 with a time of 22:49. She finished just ahead of Correll who finished with a time of 22:50. "This women's team, they are a solid bunch of women, there not a lot of superstars in terms of depth, but they are quality individuals and they have trained very hard and very diligently," Coach Rohl said.

Sophomore Jess Wagner finished 71 with a time of 23:42 while freshman Irene Primmer came in 101 with a time of 24:35.

"Last week they just had an off day. Nothing went right for us. We missed breakfast and it was a bad surface," Rohl said. "This week everything went smooth. They came right back, dug in and did the job. I'm real proud of them."

Senior Sarah Pinkowski finished in 109 with a time of 24:39, while freshman Ryan Kelly finished in 114 with a time of 24:56.

While Cummings is at the National Championships at Missouri Southern State, the rest of the team will compete at the ECAC championships



PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR

Senior Josh Wooten just missed a chance at the national championship with his eighth place finish at the East Regional Saturday at Lock Haven. The top seven runners advanced.



PHOTO BY GREGORY ORR

Freshman Brenae Edwards has been the women's cross country teams top runner every game this season. She finished in 30 in the East Regional Saturday at Lock Haven University.

Men's Results

PLACE	TEAM	POINTS
1	Edinboro	47
2	Slippery Rock	58
3	Lock Haven	95
4	Shippensburg	130
5	Mansfield	162
6	Millersville	217
7	Concord	236
8	Bloomsburg	247
9	E Stroudsburg	276
10	California U.	285
11	W V Wesleyan	286
12	West Chester	289
13	Kutztown	319
14	Indiana (Pa.)	331
15	Felician	342
16	Davis & Elkins	463
17	Philadelphia U.	472

Women's Results

1	Bloomsburg	62
2	Edinboro	81
3	Kutztown	87
4	Indiana (Pa.)	110
5	Clarion	146
6	Shippensburg	176
7	Slippery Rock	177
8	Millersville	209
9	E Stroudsburg	250
10	W V Wesleyan	265
11	Lock Haven	295
12	Mansfield	328
13	Wheeling Jesuit	369

Women's basketball preview: Team Looks for third straight playoff appearance

By PAT LAHR

Flashlight Sports Wrier

The familiar squeak of fresh sneakers on the gym floor is back in Decker Gymnasium as the Mansfield Women's Basketball team began practice a few weeks ago. The Mountaineers return with almost the same squad from last season losing only Jessica Uhrich to graduation. Replacing Uhrich, who was a large part of both the offense and defense for Mansfield in the 2006 season, will be a challenge.

"We're going to have to have more balance in our scoring and rebounding to fill the gap left by Jess," head coach Ruth Hermansen said. "Someone is going to have to step their game up to another level to fill a pair of pretty big shoes."

While the Mountaineers lost Uhrich, they will return a long list of starters. Juniors Courtney Brooks and Mallory Hafer started every game for the Mountaineers last season. Clarissa Correll and Emily Akins started in 16 and 10 games respectively.

Brooks and Hafer led the team in minutes averaging 33 minutes per game. Hafer led the team in free throw percentage at 90 percent while Brooks was fourth on the team in scoring with 8.6 points per game.

Senior Jeanette Meacham, a starter in 19 games last season, also returns. Along with the core group of starters the Mountaineers return four players with significant experience. Senior Kelli Eastman, juniors Brittany Reed and Katie Akins together with sophomore Marissa Gaeta all played in at least 23 games last season.

Perhaps the most exciting return is the comeback of Alicia Espigh. The junior shooting guard was the Mountaineers leading scorer, averaging 13 points a game until she was injured during the third game last year for the season due to a knee injury. Named a captain this season, Espigh should be an excellent offensive weapon from both the outside and inside.

There are four new additions to the Mansfield squad this season: sophomore Brittany Knopp, a transfer from Lycoming College, freshmen Lauren Linsenchbach, Nicole Pender and Tegan Atallah. Look for Atallah to get playing time early in the season.

"Tegan came to Mansfield all the way from Redding, MA (just outside of Boston). She is a smart player who adds some size to our roster," Hermansen said about Atallah. "She could definately make an early impact off the bench."

Being one of the smallest teams in the conference will force the Mountaineers to run a motion style offense this season. Defensively winning the lost post battle, boxing out and setting up inside will be important. Their depth will be key to overcoming the size disadvantage on both sides of the ball

"We're a very deep team. Spreading minutes out will be an important part of our game plan this season," Hermansen said. "Our team chemistry both on and off the court is great. Even during our 11 early morning practices they get along and practice well."

The Mountaineers will be well tested by the time PSAC play rolls around. Included in a tough non-conference schedule are road trips to South Padre Island, Texas and West Virginia. Mansfield opens the season Wednesday Nov. 15 against Mercyhurst University with tip-off at 5:30 p.m. The night before, Tuesday Nov. 14, there will be a pep rally for both the men's and women's basketball team in Decker Gym at 8 p.m.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Junior point guard Courtney Brooks started all 27 games last season for the Mountaineers leading the team in assists and steals.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Junior Mallory Hafer led the PSAC in three pointers made last season and was third in three-point percentage. Hafer is one of 10 returners for the women's basketball team. The team opens their regular season at home against Mercyhurst November 15.

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Men's Basketball preview:

More experienced team looks to contend for PSAC title

By CHRISTOPHER BOSWELL

Flashlight Sports Writer

Last year the Mansfield Men's basketball team was young and lacked the experience it needed to excel. This year the Mountaineers are a more experienced team.

Head Coach Rich Miller is very excited about the upcoming year. "We have had seven practices so far. The guys have looked pretty good and they have shown a lot of intensity during practice," Miller said.

This year's team has 11 returning players, which is better than last year's situation where only five players returned.

"It's a lot easier to jump right into a good momentum," Miller said. "New guys are picking up new things and returners are leading the way."

There appears to be a solid group of players who expect to have a solid season.

The first goal is to improve the health of the injured players. John Hampton, Lavall Owens, and Kevin Hill are all currently recovering from injury.

Another goal this year is to improve at every practice. The Mountaineers plan on getting better as a team and as individuals. The ultimate goal this year is to be a playoff team.

"Every night we need to play to our max ability," Miller said. "We need to step out every night for a good game, take charges, and make good plays."

Kevin Hill, Chris Greene, Brandon Lawley, and John Hampton are all expected to give the team a lot of help and energy this year on the court.

Greene last year lead the team in assists, while Hill lead in three pointers.

"Hampton should have been all conference last year," Miller said. "But for some reason never got it."

Hampton scored 14.6 points per game to lead the team last season.

Lawley has shown potential as a power forward and is working on his consistency of being a great player. Lawley averaged 8.5 points and 5.2 rebounds per game last year.

Chris Pender put in some key minutes last year as a backup guard and is looking to have a solid season. Pender averaged 19 minutes a game last year coming off the bench.

Sophomore Brandon Smith has made the coaches very happy with his attitude during practice. He has been putting forth a lot of effort to get better and to keep the team's spirits up.

Dhimitri Luarasi had good games last year and improved a lot over the summer by putting on more weight, and showing more intensity. He made eight starts last season as a freshman.

Seth Cornell is a good point guard who knows the game well and is a smart player. "He puts a lot pressure on the defense and that's what we need," Miller said.

Cory Boone was a medical redshirt last year, but he's back healthy and looking to have a good season for the Mountaineers.

Yuseff Carr is a 6'6" 284 pound forward with a lot more power and bulk than most forwards.

"He came from New York City where there was a lot of great competition and he will help out the team a lot more as he understands the team's way of playing the game," Miller said.

Armen Henderson is a hard working senior who will give the Mountaineers depth at the guard position.

Ryan Callahan transferred from Wagner College and is a good scorer and a smart player.

"Same thing with Callahan as with Carr," Miller said. "He just needs to understand the system we have here."

Lavall Owens redshirted last year. If Owens can get healthy, he'll be a good scorer which will help out the team offensively in a big way.

Duane Oluwadare and Mike Gray are both hyped up about having a physical and intense season.

"They are the effort guys and the screen guys," Miller said. "Basically they are the dirty work guys and we need that."

One of the main changes this year in the game plan is that the Mountaineers are focusing more on getting better on defense. Now that the Mountaineers have a deep roster, they should be able to sub in guys who will be fresh to help out on defense.

"Guys will get tired, have bad nights and we'll be able to sub them in if they need it for players that will give us solid minutes," Miller said.

The team plans on focusing more on defense because they struggled last year in that area. The players saw right away that they had to get better on defense.

"We have a lot of scorers," Miller said. "We need to be more physical and intense," Miller said.

"Offensively we are still going to get up and down the court," Miller said. "Greene will be the quick guy there."

Last year the team was one of the tops in the league in scoring but was last in defensive stats.

"Overall, the year is going to be full of close games, so it gives the guys more reason to give 100 percent all the time," Miller said. "Play every night hard. We make things happen. Don't wait around for the other team to make a mistake. Push the issue on both ends of the floor. Don't be afraid to make a mistake, make a play."

One thing that Coach Miller wants more of this year is hype from the campus to try and bring back a sport to the community that is as energetic as football was.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Brandon Lawley returns after starting in 16 games last season for the Mountaineers. Lawley was second last year on the team in rebounds per game.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Junior Chris Greene started every game last year at point guard for the Mountaineers. He led the team in assists with 132.

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'Voices of Diversity' heard across campus

By REBECCA HAZEN

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The forum "Voices in Diversity" was sponsored by the Black Student Union on Wednesday Nov. 7 at Mansfield University.

The forum was the first in a series of events called Diversity Weekend that was put on by the Black Student Union (BSU), SIFE, MPA and Zodiak.

The forum consisted of a panel of four BSU members and four staff and faculty. Those participating were Ms. Dia Carleton, Dr. Peter Keller, Dr. Jim Harrington, Dr. Joceyln Cooledge. Howard Jones, Abigail C Glen, Ian Edgecombe and Michelle Paige.

Sharon Thomas, a member of BSU, opened up the forum by stating that "we are here to share information, ask questions and implement change."

Dominique Majette-Kidd is the president of BSU. "Mansfield University is relatively diverse. It is my belief that in order for the students of color, students with disabilities, non-traditional students, etc., to feel comfortable, Mansfield University needs to address their needs. The students can have better experiences during their undergrad college career here if they address their needs and concerns now instead of waiting," Majette-Kidd said.

Many things were discussed between students, staff and faculty during the forum including diversity training, programming and steps that can be taken.

The university holds diversity training workshops once or twice a semester. However, Mansfield does not offer training before hiring. "We encourage strongly, it is hard to make it mandatory for two hundred plus faculties to attend," Keller said. "It is high on the agenda of the University, trying to promote positive understanding and communication."

Steps to become a more diverse university were discussed. An idea was to have faculty join in on activities, as not many students know the faculty well. On Nov. 28th, there will be an all day workshop session about diversity. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend.

Students brought attention to the fact that only multicultural groups seem to promote diversity. It should be made known that diversity is important for everyone, not just certain groups, such as MISO and BSU. Mr. Vincent Jenkins was in attendance at the forum. "It shouldn't be that same narrow group always stepping forward," Jenkins said.

"We tend to focus on education rather than getting to know someone of a difference race. We encourage segregation at Mansfield whether we mean to or not," Glen said.

"Mansfield is a small community and the university is one of the smallest in the PASSHE system—the embracing of diversity and the dialogue needs to perpetuate throughout all that we do. Otherwise, we will only alienate people and subsequently take a hundred steps backward," Thomas said.

A problem that was addressed was the attendance of events by students. Though there were notices in the Daily Digest and flyers around campus, only an estimated seventy-five people came to the forum.

A suggested solution to this problem is to have all-presidents meetings where the presidents of every organization on campus can meet to find out what is happening and tell members of their organizations.

An essential subject spoken of that evening was the personal responsibility of students to make changes in the university. Students in attendance agreed that it is important for to openly discuss issues regarding race and diversity so they will not be ignored.

President Loeschke made an announcement at the end of the forum. "You have my commitment as a president. We really want to make this work. We are an all white cabinet, and sometimes we don't get it. This is really healthy. We have got to do this as a family, that is the only way it is going to be successful," Loeschke said.

Majette-Kidd would like to hold a second forum in the future. "The forum originally was supposed to cover four topics. Since the topics encompass a lot, we decided to only do two instead of the four. In the future, we will be having another forum to cover other issues that are concerns of the students of color at MU. We did not have enough time to talk about everything," Majette-Kidd said.

Vandalism and robbery

BY KARA NEWCOMER

Flashlight Editor-in-Chief

There has been a rash of vandalism and robbery recently at Mansfield University.

According to Chuck Colby, Director of Residence Life, vandalism is a regular occurring problem at any university. Colby believes that drinking is the largest reason vandalism occurs.

"I would say that 95 percent of the vandalism that happens here at Mansfield or any campus is because of drinking," Colby said. "Every Monday there is a report of incidents that occurred over the weekend because of drinking."

The most common form of vandalism at Mansfield is broken windows, specifically windows in stairwells. Colby believes students choose these "anonymous" windows so nothing can be traced back to their rooms.

The problem with the vandalism that occurs however is that unless there is physical evidence, there is no

way to punish the students responsible.

"Most students follow a 'code of silence' with their peers," Colby said. "They're not willing to give up information about things that happen on the floor."

However it may pay off for students to break the 'code' in the end. According to Colby when things get broken or extra time and money needs to be spent on cleaning up a mess, the fees increase for students.

At past universities that Colby has worked at, when the issues with vandalism have gotten so bad, he has moved students to other floors.

"We need to protect the floor community and if it isn't the right atmosphere for students to be successful and no student will break the 'code of silence' I have randomly moved students off the floor," Colby said. In his six months at Man-



This sticker is placed on every piece of equipment that is purchased with student technology fees. It can be found on all of the equipment that has been stolen recently.

sfield Colby has not had to take such measures.

Right now there are a variety of disciplinary actions taken against students including fines, replacement costs and disciplinary probation; which typically means that students are banned from campus activities for a period of time.

Colby realizes that vandalism is the biggest problem any university faces in residence life and is taking steps to improve conditions for students in the residence halls.

However, vandalism isn't just a problem for the residence halls. It has now spread to academic buildings, specifically Alumni Hall Student Center.

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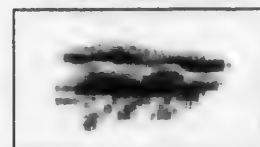


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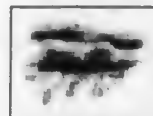


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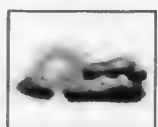
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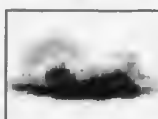
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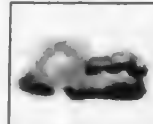
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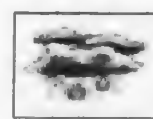
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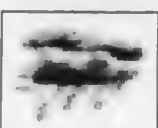
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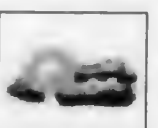
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Few
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WEDNESDAY

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Police Beat

October 6, 2007-

A fire alarm activation from within a room on the 5th floor of Maple Manor led to the arrest of Michael Stirnman, 21, for allegedly possessing marijuana and drug paraphernalia.

October 10, 2007-

James Tanaiewski, 18, was found on Clinton street allegedly in possession of marijuana and a second controlled substance in tablet form.

November 4, 2007-

Richard Poulin, 20; Christopher Kinner, 20; Kyle Teed, 18; Dan Copes, 18; and three female juveniles were involved in the vandalism of the B side of Maple Dormitory, as well as the area outside the second floor entryway by dumping garbage cans and throwing miscellaneous objects down the stairs and hallway and out the windows. Criminal charges pending.

November 8, 2007-

Nicolo Stewart, 25, was cited for harassment. Stewart assaulted an MU student after a verbal confrontation.

Info-To-Go
Campus Bulletin Board
Mansfield University

Cedarcrest Hall Council has adopted two families of five from Tioga County for the holidays. In order to raise money to ensure that the children will have presents for Christmas, Cedarcrest Hall Council is holding a Christmas Benefit Bash at 9:00 p.m. on December 8 in The Hut. Everyone is welcome to attend the benefit, have a last hurrah before finals and do something good for families in need this holiday season!

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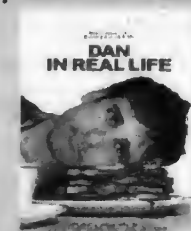
Hot Rock Tracks:

- 1.) Kanye West Good Life
- 2.) Soulja Boy Crank That (Soulja Boy)
- 3.) Playaz Circle Duffle Bag Boy
- 4.) Plies Shawty
- 5.) Fabulous Baby Don't Go



Top Movies:

- 1.) Bee Movie, PG, Jerry Seinfeld, Renee Zellweger
- 2.) American Gangster, R, Denzel Washington
- 3.) Fred Claus, PG, Vince Vaughn
- 4.) Lions for Lambs, R, Robert Redford
- 5.) Dan In Real Life, PG-13, Steve Carell, Dane Cook



News Briefs

AIDS Quilt comes to Mansfield

The AIDS Memorial Quilt will be displayed in Kelchner Fitness Center for three days.

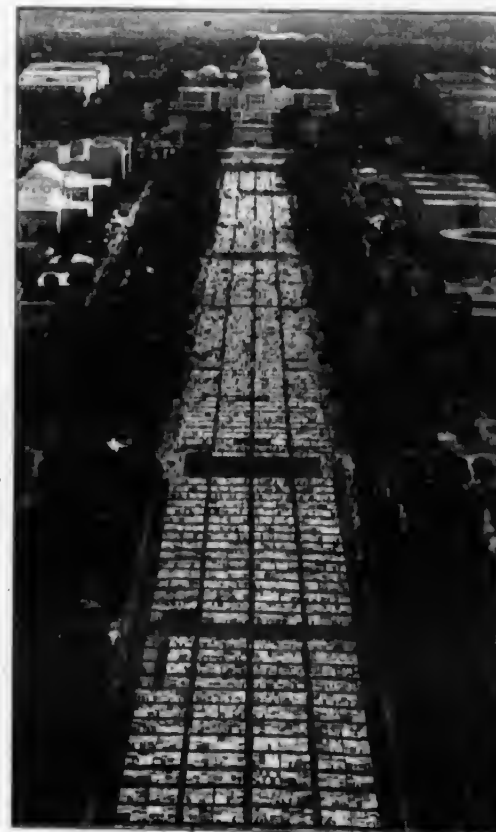
The AIDS Memorial Quilt was started by Cleve Jones in 1987. He started the quilt after his friend died from the disease. He wanted to raise awareness about the disease so people would recognize the disease as an epidemic. He also wanted to raise awareness to get the government (at the time) to fund scientific research on the disease.

Thirty-six panels of the quilt will be displayed on World AIDS Day, Dec. 1, two will be displayed from noon to 6 p.m. and on Dec. 3 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. in Kelchner Fitness Center.

Donald Gilliland, the editor of The Leader-Enterprise in Potter County, along with Jim Harrington, associate vice president of student affairs, and Aaron Hackman are responsible for bringing the quilt to Mansfield.

Student volunteers will be needed to help set-up the quilt, monitor it while it is displayed and to read the names of victims during display.

For students who are interested in volunteering, contact Aaron Hackman or look for sign-up forms outside of Barb Morgans office, level 3M of AHSC.



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The last time the AIDS quilt was displayed in its entirety was in 1996. If it were displayed all together now, it would cover more than six city blocks.

Jazz ensemble performs at annual concert and says farewell to seniors

By CARRIE GOODYEAR

Flashlight News Co Editor

The Mansfield University jazz ensemble held their annual concert on Nov. 10 at 8 p.m. in Steadman Theater.

The jazz ensemble was under the direction of Michael Galloway. The concert featured 25 musicians. Two of the musicians were members of the Mansfieldians vocal ensemble and were selected to perform with the jazz ensemble in this concert. Meghan Zwart is a sophomore music education major. This is the second year that Zwart has been in Mansfieldians. Zwart was featured in an arrangement of "Bare Necessities" from Disney's "The Jungle Book."

The second vocalist to be featured with jazz ensemble was senior music education major, Maria Orr. Orr performed the Norah Jones hit, "Don't know why." Orr said that she learned a lot by performing with the jazz ensemble.

"One thing I learned is that it's not just about them as my back up. The instrumentalists solo just as much as I do," Orr said. "They are a big part of the song."

Alyssa Eddings is a senior music education major. This is her 4th and final semester in the jazz ensemble. Eddings said she learned a lot from the performing with the Mansfieldians as well. "When we have the Mansfieldians perform, it is a great opportunity," Eddings said. "It's nice having the vocal aspect, and the Mansfieldians are amazing musicians."

Eddings said that every musician has a song that they are partial to. "My personal favorite piece was Nite Sprite. We played it at Prism and had

to memorize it," Eddings said. "We don't worry about the notes on the page and we get to focus on the musicianship."

Shanna Hubbs is a senior music education major. Hubbs attended the concert to support her fellow musicians. "Everyone loves jazz. No one sits and in the audience and yawns or falls asleep," Hubbs said. "I think it's because the audience has such a vibrant energy that the band just feeds off of it."

This concert was special because it served as means to welcome back a fellow musician who had been in an accident. Senior music education major, Dustin Giffin was in a motorcycle accident on Sunday Oct. 21. This concert was his first time performing in public since the accident.

"I was thrilled to see [Dustin] back because we thought he wouldn't be able to play for several months," Hubbs said.

Orr and Giffin are members of the same music organization and have worked together and in ensembles as well as a ska band.

"It tugged at my heart to see him performing during Nite Sprite," Orr said. "It was such a joy to see him back on his feet and doing everything just as well as he did before the accident."

At the end of the evening, Galloway honored four seniors who would be leaving to student teach or intern in the spring. Alyssa Eddings, Dustin Giffin, Ed Wooten, and Ben Rochford were the four students who would not be returning to the ensemble. "It's bittersweet because we have all been in the ensemble for so long together, but I am excited to be moving on as well," Eddings said.

Potential students visit Mansfield University for a glimpse at campus life

By RAYA HANSEN

Flashlight Writer

More than 200 high school students toured Mansfield University during Enrollment Services Division's Visitation Day on Friday, November 9.

"It is the largest crowd we had in quite a while," Rachel Green said. Green is the Associate Director of Enrollment Management for the Admissions office. The 200 students were accompanied by 300 parents.

The visitors registered at Steadman Theatre between 8 and 9 a.m.

Brian Barden, Executive Director of Enrollment services welcomed them. He told them about student life.

Provost Michael Renner talked to them about academics at Mansfield University.

Volunteer Mansfield University students escorted groups of visitors around campus. They gave visitors an overview of the campus. Students give the tours so prospective students will feel comfortable asking questions.

At the end of the tour visitors were divided into areas of interest. Professors from each department answered questions and spoke about their programs.

Senior Kara Newcomer, Journalism professor Dan Mason, and Communica-

tion and Theater Department chair Dr. Lee Wright, spoke to a group of prospective students and their parents about the many related activities in the communication department such as PRSSA, WNTS and *The Flashlight*.

"It's exciting to meet students before they come to Mansfield," Mason said. "The best part of my job is watching my students change and grow."

Dr. Wright talked about students' opportunities for internships. He answered questions and emphasized that students have the opportunity to get involved from their first week on campus. "One of the advantages Mansfield University offers is the chance for students to get on camera or in print almost from the beginning," Wright said.

Newcomer informed the visitors that there is a lot of hands on work and all communication activities are "student operated."

Enrollment Services Division treated the visitors to a college dining experience in upper Maser.

The visitation ended with Student life and university services information followed by a Financial Aid workshop with Mansfield's financial planner, Christopher Vaughn.

MAC and SAO host laser tag event

By AMANDA LEHMAN

Flashlight Writer

TjohnE Booking and Production, Mansfield Activities Council (MAC) and student activities are holding a TRONsystem laser tag event on December 4, 2007 in from 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. in Alumni Hall.

This laser tag event will be held on Tuesday, December 4, 2007 in AHSC, which is in 3rd floor Alumni Hall. It will begin at 6 p.m. and will end around 10 p.m.

Laser tag is a virtual war game of strategy that involves plastic guns and vests. Teams aim for the vests of opponents, 'killing' or defeating them. Once a person is out, he or she will remain out until the end of the game. This game is completely harmless and is way to build leadership and group activity skills, according to Clarence Crisp, head of MAC.

The TRONsystem laser tag event is one of the many recreational activities created by TjohnE for campuses across the nation. Other activities promoted on campuses all over America include: Fantasy Casino, Make a Hit CD, Extreme Air, Murder Mystery, Mind Games and various entertainers

such as comedian Lowell Sanders and Hip-Hop act Fireproof.

Clarence Crisp is heading up the event and is sure it will be a blast for the students. "If it goes well, we will definitely have this event again," Crisp said. MAC has hosted various virtual games for the students at Mansfield and all of them have been successes, so Crisp is optimistic about the expected turnout of students.

Students are expected to register in teams of five with an admission price of \$5 per group. The winner or winning team will receive 50 percent of the money collected from admission. Those who second place will receive 30 percent payout, and third place will receive 20 percent of the final payout.

The entire third floor will make up the arena. Judges will be present to make the final call in any disputes. Teams will be set up against one another in blind drawings. Members of MAC hope to see everyone there. "Shooting people is a bad thing, but in the case of laser tag I think I'll make an exception. Students should be fast and stay out of the way of laser beams," Crisp said.

'VANDALISM'

The week before fall break custodians faced an unpleasant surprise in the men's bathroom on the first floor. Someone had gone to the bathroom and then spread the waste all over the walls of the rest room.

"It's a very sad thing," Jim Harrington, Associate Vice President of Student Affairs, said. "People are acting in a vulgar way, desecrating property in academic buildings and residence halls; they're only hurting themselves."

Harrington believes that students need to be held responsible for their actions. He also believes that all students need to be proactive when dealing with situations like this. It all starts with the RA's but every student should take responsibility and step forward.

"I know it may be difficult to give someone up, but students need to take action and report criminal acts when they see them," Harrington said. "The custodians that work in this building are so remarkable and so respectful of the students and its so disheartening for them to have to clean up a student 'prank' like this one."

There has also been a recent rash of theft in academic buildings on campus. According to Mark Polonia, Multimedia Specialist in Media Services, there have been eight projectors stolen

from academic buildings in the past two years. So far this year there have already been two projectors stolen from Retan and Elliot. Each projector costs anywhere from \$900 to \$1,300 and none of the equipment has been recovered to date. Other equipment such as DVD players and sound receivers have been stolen.

"The theft hits us harder because we're a smaller school," Polonia said. "It really hurts students because all of this equipment is purchased with the student technology fee."

Each piece of equipment has a special security sticker placed on it that will leave a residue if someone attempts to take it off. The most recent event also occurred in Alumni Hall Student Center. When Polonia went into room 307 one morning to set up some equipment he noticed that the projector was loose from the wall.

"It looked like someone had tried to steal it but got interrupted," Polonia said. A few days later, just before fall break, a projector was stolen from Retan. Alumni is an easy target because it is accessible so late at night.

"It's sad that anyone would want to steal from the students," Polonia said. He encourages anyone with information to come forward and contact either him or the police.

Guenther publishes book on Pennsylvania sports history

BY DAN BANKE

Flashlight Writer

Dr... Karen Guenther, the head of Mansfield University's History and Political Science department has recently published a book about sports in Pennsylvania.

The book, titled *Sports in Pennsylvania*, traces the history of Pennsylvania's sporting tradition.

"It traces the history of Pennsylvania sports all the way back to the Native Americans including hunting, archery, lacrosse, an early version of football, from its origins all the way to the twentieth century," Guenther said.

She explained that sports history has always appealed to her and that she is an avid sports fan. "I've been a Phillies fan for as long as I can remember." She went on to explain the process that is involved in writing a book. "You roughly pick a topic, research it, write about it, research it some more, you let others read it, and then you hope someone likes it and decides they'd like to publish it."

She went on to talk about future projects she'd like to write about "Nothing screams 'write about me.'"

However, she explained that there are several subjects that she was considering. "I'd like

to write about the French and Indian War in Pennsylvania." Guenther had been intrigued by Native American attacks along the Pennsylvania Frontier after the famed Braddock campaign of which George Washington was a part.

Guenther has written one book before, "Remem'ring Our Time and Work is the Lords: The Experiences of Quakers on the Eighteenth-Century Pennsylvania Frontier," published by Susquehanna University Press in 2005.

"That book was a revised version of my doctoral dissertation, which examined the challenges faced by members of Exeter Monthly Meeting as a Quaker community during the eighteenth century," Guenther said that she feels that she has improved as an author since then. "I found that it's much harder to write a short book than a long one."

Guenther said that she hopes her book will be available through the Mansfield University bookstore. "It is available through the Pennsylvania Historical Association's website at www.pa-history.org/orderform-oct07.htm," Guenther said. "I think it's interesting. It's brief yet it's comprehensive. It talks about sports movies that deal with Pennsylvania even, as well as college and professional sports. It was fun to write."

National Chemistry Week celebrated in Corning, NY

By JAMIE CURTIS

Flashlight Writer

Students and faculty from Mansfield University's science department participated in the National Chemistry Week celebration at the Corning Museum of Glass on October 28-30.

The celebration is an annual community service event designed to educate and to spark interest in elementary and middle school students about chemistry and how it is used in everyday life.

Ruchi Tandon was this year's coordinator for the American Chemical Society-Corning Section. Tandon and twelve students from Mansfield University planned and conducted experiments through the fall semester. They checked the pH of cleaners and beverages with drops of cabbage juice to indicate whether something was an acid or base. They also tested how far bubble gum can stretch before it breaks and how what people eat affects their bodies.

Tandon invited teams from Elmira College, Corning Inc. and Osram-Sylvania to participate. Mansfield University was the only school from Pennsylvania to attend. Students were recruited in the science

department through related organizations and the work study program.

"I wanted to do this event," Tandon said. "The kids' faces light up. They can see something is happening when molecules are talking to each other."

Senior biology major Jordan Garman assisted Tandon in testing the experiments that other students on the team came up with. He also prepared supplies needed for the event. Garman has done several volunteer projects during his college career. "I have always been involved in community service," Garman said. "This was a great opportunity for me to apply what I have learned as a science major over the past 4 years to benefit others in the community."

Getting the kids involved when they are young is important," Tandon said. "Seeing their excitement and enthusiasm makes the event worthwhile."

"Mansfield University does cultivate leaders through their programs," Garman said. "The fact that the students took it upon themselves to get involved just because they wanted to speak for our student body. It shows how positive we are and our desire to give back to the community."

CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Nov... 15 ~ 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Employer Day: A-Plus Behavioral Health, 106 Pinecrest ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show	16 ~ 8 p.m. Music: Greg Fulkerson, Guest Violin Recital ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show	17 ~ 8 p.m. Music: Opera Workshop ~ SAO Bus Trip to Washington, D.C.	18 ~ 3 p.m. Music: Concert Wind Ensemble ~ 7 p.m. Music: Opera Workshop	19 ~ 7 p.m. John Perricone, author of <i>Zen and the Art of Public School Teaching</i> , 307 AHSC ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show	20 ~ 12:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. HIV Testing/ Counseling, MU Clinic ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show, North Hall	21 ~ Thanksgiving Holiday: No Classes
22 ~ Thanksgiving Break: No Classes	23 ~ Thanksgiving Break: No Classes	24	25	26 ~ 8 p.m. Music: Percussion Ensemble Concert ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show	27 ~ 4 p.m. Lecture Series Event: "Blood, Sweat, and Tears: Ethical Concerns for a Global Community" with Professors Robert Timko, Ira Newman, Thomas Young, Andrienne McEvoy, and Henrik Madsen, 307 AHSC ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show	28 ~ 11 a.m. Council of Trustees Meeting, 6th Floor North Hall ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show

What in the world? News in a flash by Carrie and Danelle



Giant pandas in danger of starving due to bamboo die off

By CARRIE GOODYEAR
AND DANELLE MILLER

Flashlight Co News Editor

Pandas are being forced to relocate from southwestern China because their food supply of bamboo is withering.

Pandas eat arrow bamboo in a region of Sichuan province. The bamboo is currently going through a cycle of flowering and dying. This process happens once every 60 years.

Yang Xuyu is the deputy head of the Sichuan's Wild Animal Preservation Station.

"No wild panda has been found dead of starvation," Yang said.

Despite this fact, more than 80 percent of the bamboo, or Ruergai, is unfit for the pandas to eat.

Approximately 80 percent of the wild panda population lives in the Sichuan province, but are moving to other areas.

A similar starvation scare occurred in the 1980s when the arrow bamboo reserves flowered and then died off.

When the bamboo flowers and dies off, it produces seeds. Those seeds then take 10 to 20 years to grow back.

It has become harder for pandas to find food, especially during the bamboo life cycle, because of farming and industrial development shrinking their habitats.

According to Xinhua news agency, China's forestry bureau is carrying out a panda rescue drive and is also working with the World Wildlife Fund to attempt to restore panda migration paths.

Xinhua news agency also reported that a record 12 pairs of panda twins were born in captivity in the year of 2007.

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Pandas are in danger of starving due to the cycle of the arrow bamboo. Despite the threat of impending starvation, officials have not found any starved pandas.

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This Week in Politics - National and Foreign News

By **CHRISTIAN JOHNSON**
Flashlight Writer

Sarkozy Makes trip to Washington

Last week, French President Nicolas Sarkozy made a trip to Washington in an attempt to build a stronger relationship with the United States. Sarkozy told Congress that "our friendship and our alliance is strong" and that such improved relations should lead to a better cooperation on international problems such as Iran's nuclear program, Middle East peace and the stability of Lebanon. Before Sarkozy was elected president, he worked to mend relations with the U.S. that were damaged by former French President Jacques Chirac's strong opposition to the war in Iraq.

While speaking through his translator to U.S. lawmakers in the chamber of the House of Representatives, Sarkozy spoke about France's history and their long friendship with the United States. During his speech to Congress, which was interrupted several times by applause, Sarkozy expressed his gratitude and respect for U.S. troops both past and present. "I want to tell you that whenever an American soldier falls somewhere in the world, I think of what the American army did for France," Sarkozy said. "I think of them, and I am sad, as one is sad to lose a member of one's family."

At a black-tie dinner in honor of Sarkozy's visit, President Bush gave a toast to the French President. "French and American troops are helping to defend a young democracy in Afghanistan," Bush said. Sarkozy, who was seated next to first lady Laura Bush, joked, "I also came to say that one can be a friend of America, and yet win elections in France." Sarkozy, 52, was elected on May 6, 2007 after defeating Socialist party leader Segolene Royal during the second round of the election.



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French President Nicolas Sarkozy expressed his gratitude for the U.S. in a recent trip to Washington.

some of the questions for the candidate to be asked by their students. The report says that on Tuesday, Nov. 6, the Clinton campaign made a stop at the biodiesel plant as a part of a week-long series of events to introduce her new energy plan. Then after the speech, Clinton accepted questions. But according to Grinnell College student Muriel Gallo-Chasanoff, some of the questions from the audience were planned in advance. Gallo-Chasanoff said a Clinton staff member approached her to ask a specific question after the speech. "One of the senior staffers told me what to ask," she said.

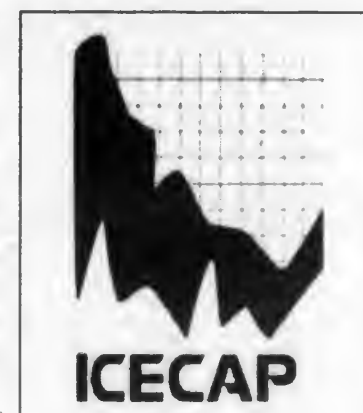
The Grinnell University report says that Clinton called on Gallo-Chasanoff after her speech to ask a question. The question that was asked dealt with how Clinton would go about stopping the effects of global warming. Clinton then began her response by saying that young people pose this question to her before delving into the benefits of her plan quite frequently. "You know, I find as I travel around Iowa that it's usually young people that ask me about global warming," said Clinton.

In a separate incident, Geoffrey Mitchell, 32, said he was approached by Clinton campaign worker Chris Hayler to ask Hillary about how she was standing up to President Bush on issues like the Iraq war and a troop withdrawal timeline. This encounter happened minutes before an event hosted by Iowa Sen. Gene Farris on a farm outside Fort Madison, Iowa.

Weather Channel Founder: Global Warming "Greatest Scam in History"

In an article posted on www.icecap.us, Weather Channel founder John Coleman said that global warming is the greatest scam in history. Coleman then went on to explain that environmental extremists and notable politicians teamed up with media outlets and environmentalist journalists to create a "wild scientific scenario" that is set out to push a radical political agenda. "I am telling you global warming is a non-event, a manufactured crisis and a total scam. I say this knowing you probably won't believe me, mere TV weatherman, challenging a Noble Prize, Academy Award and Emmy Award winning former Vice President of United States. So be it," Coleman said. He then went on to say that within a few decades "the outrageous scam will be obvious."

Icecap, the organization that posted Coleman's article, is an international climate and environmental change assessment project. On their website, the group exposes what they view as myths and falsifications about global warming and climate change.



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Clinton Campaign Admits to Planting Questions

At a recent media event in Sioux City, Iowa, 2008 presidential hopeful Hillary Clinton responded to allegations that her campaign had planted questions during her speeches. Reporters asked Clinton about two separate incidents in Iowa, including one that occurred last week at a biodiesel plant and another on a farm. "Well it was news to me. And neither I nor my campaign approve of that. And it will certainly not be tolerated," Clinton said. Then on Friday, Nov. 9 Clinton finally admitted that her campaign did, in fact, plant a question at the biodiesel plant in Newton.

According to a report on the Grinnell University web site, the Clinton campaign organized a plan for

Get ready for reruns - Writers Guild of America strike strong in second week

By **REBECCA HAZEN**
Flashlight Writer

The Writers Guild of America (WGA) has been on strike since Nov. 5, 2007 due to an impasse in their contract.

Every three years the Writers Guild negotiates new contracts with the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers (AMPTP). The current contracts expired on Oct. 31, 2007. The Writers Guild voted on Nov. 2 to give its board authorization to call a strike. The strike is effecting over 12,000 writers for television and movies.

Several key issues regarding the new contract include DVD residuals, union jurisdiction over animation and reality programs, and new media such as internet downloads.

Current proposals include that writers receive 2.5 percent of distributor's gross for new media sales and distribution. Currently the WGA has no arrangement with the companies regarding the use of content online. Companies

have thus far refused to address this proposal and have instead proposed that Internet sales follow the same formula as DVD sales. The companies have proposed that so-called "promotional" streaming not pay any residuals to the writer or writers. WGA has rejected these ideas.

The WGA has requested a doubling of the residual rate for DVD sales, which would add up to approximately eight cents. However, the AMPTP has refused to consider changing the formula.

Writer Howard Gould, at a meeting of the full WGA membership the night before the strike date was announced, said, "Soon, when computers and your TV are connected, that's how we're all going to watch. Okay? Those residuals are going to go from what they are towards zero if we don't make a stand now."

The WGA temporarily dropped the DVD proposal in a last ditch attempt to avoid going on strike, but companies still insisted on a lack of residual for new media.

Nearly 3,000 WGA members picketed at 14 studios in Los Angeles.

In anticipation of the strike, AMPTP ordered accelerated production of films and television shows so that there will be enough material to be released throughout the strike period.

Late night comedy shows such as Jimmy Kimmel Live and the Late Night Show with David Letterman were affected immediately. These shows began airing reruns when the strike started.

The Screen Actor's Guild contract with AMPTP contains a no strike clause, meaning that working members of the union are not supposed to walk off their set in support of another union's strike. However, many actors have expressed their support for the writers' strike.

The strike, in its second week, is expected to continue in what the strikers are calling "a marathon."

Cold weather, hot fashion: your winter style guide

By **KIMBERLEE BLOCKER**

Flashlight Writer

With a serious drop in temperature and even a few scattered snow showers, it's time to start thinking about those good winter weather essentials. As we all look around in our closets for long sleeve shirts, jeans and even thermals, maybe a new coat should be a consideration the next time you look over your wardrobe.

Overcoats and pea coats are definitely on the rise as this winter approaches. Overcoats are definitely a must have for the winter (especially in Mansfield). It's no longer about the style versus warmth issue because designers are now giving overcoats and peacoats a more versatile look to fit just about every consumer.

Audrey Shapiro, who works for Burlington Coat Factory, agrees. "Fashion as layering is still very important. A coat is the top layer and speaks volumes about your sense of style," Shapiro said.

Another trend is the military-inspired look for both men and women. "New this season is the short wool coat, which can take your look from day to night," Shapiro said. "The old rule used to be that long coats were the only thing appropriate for a night out. But that rule no longer applies. We are seeing short wool coats for elegant functions, the workplace, the weekend -- everywhere."

Peacoats no longer have the traditional prep look. Designers have now added a little flair to give everyone a little something when looking for more of a personalized look.

"It is really interesting to see that peacoats never go out of style," Shapiro said. "But this year, styles are really changing. We're seeing the addition of hoods, belts and military-influenced style. Or make your mark with a color like red or a pattern. Houndstooth is so hot this season."

The men's topcoat is usually dull and tedious, but with the fall crop in full effect, men can now pick between gray, plaid and even tweed. Black, of course, is always in style, but designers are adding more styling to the coats and details. "Think Darth Vader," said Shapiro, "and maybe some black patent leather trim."

Besides style and warmth, people will want many options to choose from. The creators of Lands' End

have just the solution, offering collections of wool, down and faux shearing. The styles are more lightweight and have coats tailored to flatter any woman's figure.

To make sure your coat doesn't look too big, too small or too tight, Lands' End has offered some online tips to help when buying your winter coat:

- It's best to try on a coat before buying it to make sure you get the right fit.
- Try on a coat with what you'll usually be wearing during coat season -- a sweater, suit, etc. This may reveal that you need a size larger than what you normally wear.
- Choose a coat that is comfortable and warm, that breathes and doesn't stifle you.
- If you drive a lot, consider the ease (or difficulty) of getting in and out of a vehicle while wearing the coat.
- Carefully inspect buttons and zippers to make sure they're tightly attached and work. Make sure all seams and the lining are well stitched.
- Consider sleeves that are wide enough to accommodate the bulk of a sweater sleeve or jacket and shirt sleeves, but not so roomy that they allow room for cold air to easily flow in.
- Styles with a double-breasted cut, belted waists or top-to-bottom zippers with plackets tend to block out frigid air and hold in body heat better than single-row, center-button-front styles.
- If you can buy only one coat, the most versatile for men and women is a long, basic-black silhouette. It can be dressed up or down and never goes out of style.



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During the winter season, pea coats can keep you warm and stylish.

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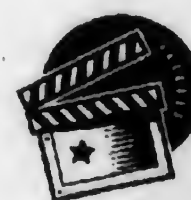
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You're in charge of some artistic endeavor -- though you may not see it that way. Play around with the big picture a bit until it suits you, as your tastes are perfectly in line with what is needed.

TAURUS

April 20-May 20

Your thinking takes a philosophical turn today and you may decide that it's time to re-evaluate your goals or ambitions for the next few years. It's all positive, so face it with an open heart

GEMINI

May 21-June 21

It's all too easy for you to stick to your guns without listening today, so try your best to open up your famously open mind. There's time for changing plans, if you decide to do so at the last minute.

CANCER

June 22-July 22

You are much better able to help the people in your life you need it most right now, so see what you can do. It's a good time to be proactive, because some folks are unable to ask for what they need.

LEO

July 23-August 22

You can keep moving all day long and your positive spirit keeps you enthused even about taking care of small tasks. If your family needs inspiration, you've got plenty -- and it keeps coming!

VIRGO

August 23-September 22

Try not to resist the flow of activity today -- there's not much you can do to direct it and you should actually have a blast if you let go and enjoy the ride. Your people are delighted to have you along.

LIBRA

September 23-October 22

Your mental powers are strong now and you find that people are more willing than usual to spend time discussing high-minded or complex ideas. This could be perfect for jump-starting new projects.

SCORPIO

October 23 - November 21

Listen to people skeptically today, because at least one excited person is describing a situation that is much too good to be true. You may not be able to convince them -- but you don't have to get involved!

SAGITTARIUS

November 22-December 21

Your friends are important to you -- more so than you let on at times. Today is great for letting them know, preferably through your actions. When you make that big sweet gesture, they'll know what time it is.

CAPRICORN

December 22-January 19

You won't believe how much progress you make on that home improvement or personal development project today -- it may seem that almost no time has passed, but you may be nearing completion!

AQUARIUS

January 20-February 18

Today brings new people into your life. It's possible that there's a birth, though more likely it's a new co-worker or acquaintance with whom you hit it off much better than usual with new folks.

PISCES

February 19-March 20

Try not to open your mouth before thinking through exactly what you want to say. That doesn't mean you should just stay quiet -- just that you need to slow the process down considerably first.

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R.L. Stine Reveals Slappy From *Night Of The Living Dummy* Was Gay

NEW YORK—Children's author R.L. Stine broke his long-held media silence Monday to announce that Slappy, the evil ventriloquist's dummy from the *Goosebumps* "Night Of The Living Dummy" trilogy, was a homosexual.

"This is not completely unexpected," said *Goosebumps* fan Ned Kosorowski, who has long speculated that the fictional wooden doll preferred the company of men, and has even written fan fiction describing graphic sexual encounters between Slappy and Amy's father. "Slappy's constant attempts

to break out of the closet that Amy stores him in at night clearly represent his struggle with homosexuality—as well as his deep-seated, repressed feelings for [rival ventriloquist's dummy] Mr. Wood."

Stine refused to address rumors regarding the possibility that Greg from "Say Cheese And Die—Again!" suffers from bipolar disorder.

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REUTERS WEIRD NEWS

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Which politician do voters want to see nude?

MELBOURNE - More Australian voters would like to see Labor Opposition leader Kevin Rudd naked than their current prime minister, John Howard, a poll showed on Sunday just two weeks out from a hard-fought general election.

The question was posed in a Galaxy poll of 1,200 voters and published in Zoo magazine, the Australian Associated Press reported.

The survey found 34 percent of respondents wanted to see Rudd, 50, with his gear off, more than double the 16 percent who said the same thing about Howard, 68.

Even Howard's usually strong following among the over 50s slipped, with the poll showing

just 16 percent wanted to see him naked compared with 27 percent for Rudd.

"No one wants a prime minister who doesn't look good naked," Zoo editor Paul Merrill was quoted as saying.

More conventional polls have consistently shown Howard's conservative government trailing well behind Labor, although the gap has narrowed slightly ahead of the November 24 general election.

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An indie fix: The Long Winters - "Ultimatum EP"

By MIKE LENGEL
Features Editor

If you're looking for a new fix, something to provide a little easy listening or perhaps you're just bored with your iTunes library, check out the 2005 EP, "Ultimatum," from Seattle natives The Long Winters.

The four song collection highlights the band's many talents: each member plays at least four different instruments on the album, and from the songwriter perspective, the music ranges from pop rock to an electronica-influenced, waltzy/dancy number called "Everything Is Talking."

As stated on their website, "John Roderick writes songs that make you feel like you've been talking to someone really interesting in an airport for the last hour and, although you know you'll never see them again, you just told them your whole life story and a part of you will love them forever."

It rings quite true. The opening track, "The Commander Thinks Aloud," serves as the inner monologue of an astronaut whose shuttle disintegrates on its return to Earth. What sounds like a creepy emo song is instead a triumphant, naturalist piece that even, at the middle point of the song, sounds like it's disintegrating with the shuttle.

Next, we meet the lamenting character in the title track who claims, "I hope I can keep seeing you / As long as you don't say you're falling in love." The lyrics aren't typical like that, though. Through distant metaphors and even a little humor (like that in "Everything Is Talking"), John Roderick multiplies a simple song by ten.

Some have even classified The Long Winters as "nerd rock," putting them in the same cereal bowl as Weezer, They Might Be Giants, and Fountains of Wayne. TLW keeps track of

this label and many others on the blog on their website. The blogs, however, don't serve as the typical, "hey this is what happened today," as most band blogs do. Instead, Roderick, the main blogger for the band (like I said, multi-talented), insists on interpreting the state of today's music.

In one post from May 2003, Roderick writes on his band's intentions, "The Long Winters make what is dubiously called indie-rock. It is not exactly written in a slave vernacular. Yet this prejudice against 'too-smartness' has infected the American culture so much that even in our rarefied, middle-class, nancy-boy rock world there are social pressures to be less verbal, less curious, and less accepting."

They find ways to avoid these pressures, however. By writing lyrics that can be both literal and metaphorical, a listener can take the music for whatever they want it to be, a lament, a lesson or a lifter.

"Ultimatum" is a record that speaks to the twentysomething, college oriented crowd, giving it justification to be spotlighted in a college newspaper. But consider it a strong recommendation if nothing else: The Long Winters will leave you stunned at the progressive style of songwriting that they've adopted.

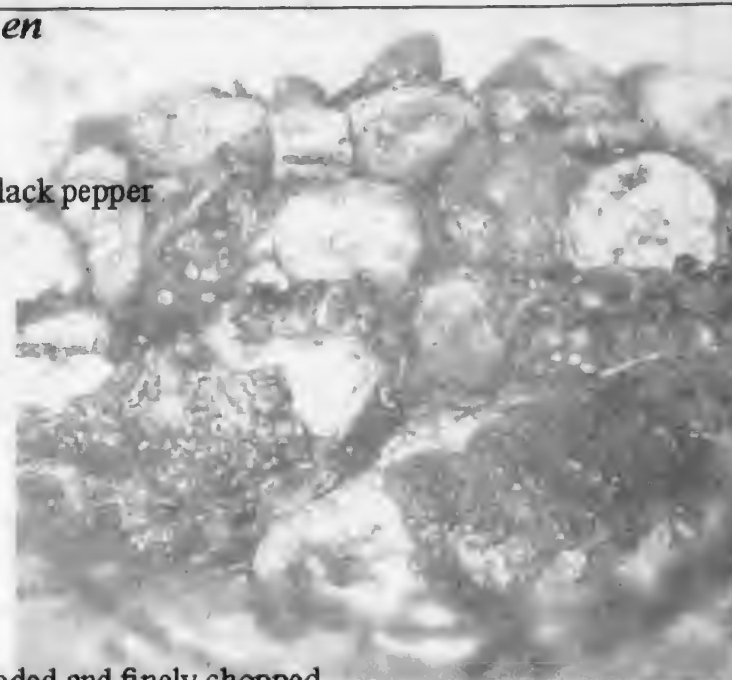


MISO's International Corner

This week: Caribbean Delight!

Jamaican Jerk Chicken

- 1 tbs. Ground allspice
- 1 tbs. Dried thyme
- 1 1/2 tsp. Cayenne pepper
- 1 1/2 tsp. Freshly ground black pepper
- 1 1/2 tsp. Ground sage
- 3/4 tsp. Ground nutmeg
- 3/4 tsp. Ground cinnamon
- 2 tbs. Salt
- 2 tbs. Garlic powder
- 1 tbs. Sugar
- 1/4 cup Olive oil
- 1/4 cup Soy sauce
- 3/4 cup White vinegar
- 1/2 cup Orange juice
- Juice of 1 lime
- 1 Scotch bonnet pepper, seeded and finely chopped
- 1 cup Chopped white onion
- 3 Green onions, finely chopped
- 4 Chicken breasts (6 to 8 oz) trimmed of fat



In a large bowl, combine the allspice, thyme, cayenne pepper, black pepper, sage, nutmeg, cinnamon, salt, garlic powder and sugar. With a wire whisk, slowly add the olive oil, soy sauce, vinegar, orange juice, and lime juice. Add the Scotch bonnet pepper, onion, and green onions and mix well. Add the chicken breasts, cover and marinate for at least 1 hour, longer if possible. Preheat an outdoor grill. Remove the breasts from the marinade and grill for 6 minutes on each side or until fully cooked. While grilling, baste with the marinade.

Jerk Chicken is common dish in the Caribbean. Some ingredients may vary from one country to another, but it tastes delicious everywhere!

We hope that you enjoy this week's recipe brought to you by MISO.

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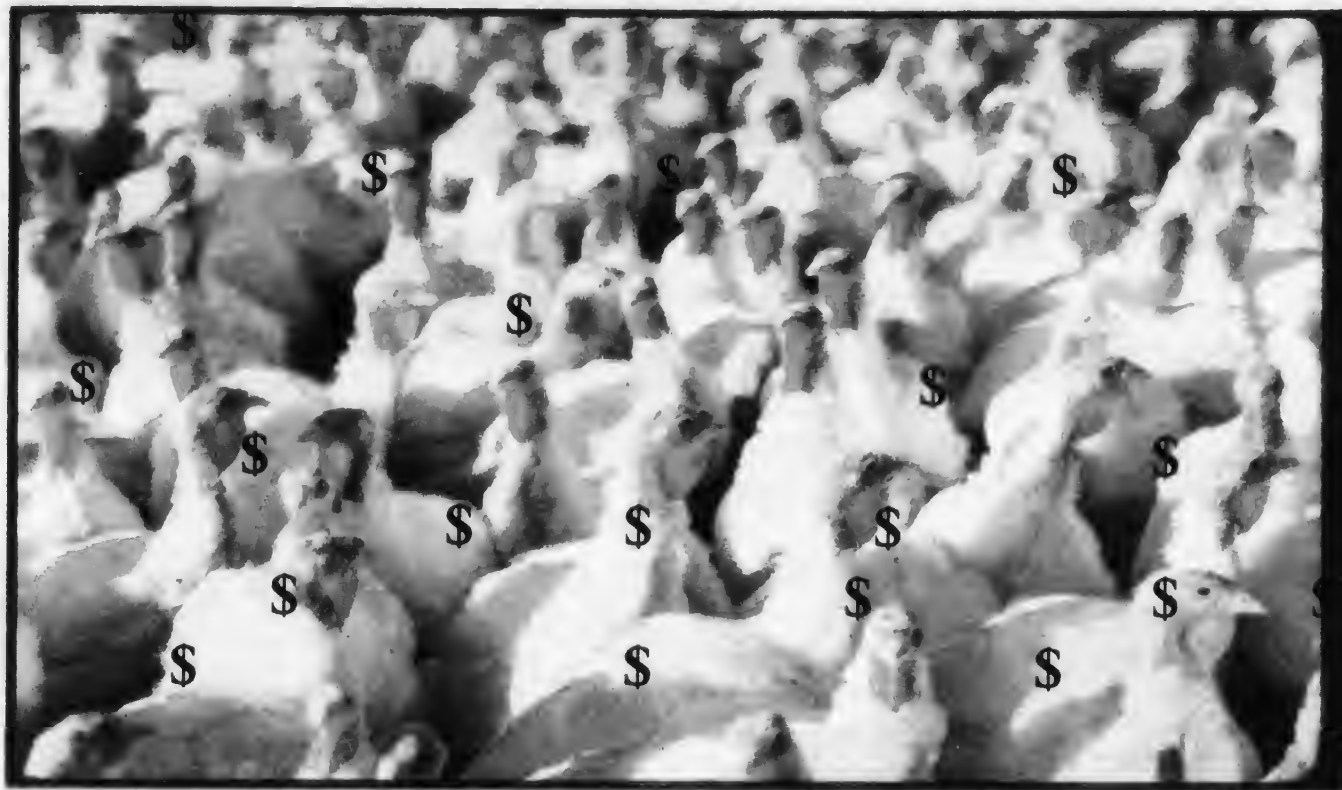
Thomas Dalton, painting

I drew and painted frequently up until 2002. That year I did about ten paintings. For the next five or so years, I didn't paint a single thing (college can do that to you). This year, I've found the time and desire to start painting again. I love all forms of creativity; strangely enough, my favorite part about painting is the detail and time it requires.

Student Art Spotlight:

Have any photography? Poetry? What about a drawing or a painting? If so, submit it to the new Flashlight Student Art Spotlight! Submit entries to flashlit@mansfield.edu





Around 280 million turkeys are sold for Thanksgiving dinners!

THANKS the forgotten

By MIKE LE

Features E

So what happened to Thanksgiving? It's all about Christmas! Wal-Mart is airing the "baby-polar-bear-drinking-a-music comes out of all the radios in the

Well, we here at the Flashlight thing serves a little recognition! But we all yadda, yadda, yadda. So here's some about this forgotten holiday.



The Detroit Lions of the National Football League have hosted a game every Thanksgiving Day since 1934 and the Dallas Cowboys have hosted every Thanksgiving Day since 1966.



Since 1947, or possibly earlier, the National Turkey Federation has presented the President of the United States with one live turkey and two dressed turkeys. The live turkey is pardoned and lives out the rest of its days on a peaceful farm. While it is commonly held that this tradition began with Harry Truman in 1947, the Truman Library has been unable to find any evidence for this. Still others claim that the tradition dates back to Abraham Lincoln pardoning his son's pet turkey.

GIVING: en holiday

LENGEL

s Editor

It seems like once Halloween is over, art puts out the decorations, Coke starts a-Coke" commercials, and Christmas e mall.

ink it's about time Thanksgiving de- ll know the story about the Pilgrims, e facts that you may not have known



In Canada, Thanksgiving is celebrated on the second Monday in October. Everything else is, well... just like ours.



There is no official reason or declaration for the use of turkey. They just happened to be the most plentiful meat available at the time of the first Thanksgiving in 1621

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More than 44 million people watch the parade on television each year. NBC has been the official broadcaster of the event since 1955. In 1997, high winds pushed the Cat in the Hat balloon into a lamppost. The falling debris struck a parade-goer, fracturing her skull and leaving her in a coma for a month.



Opinion & Editorial

"from the editor's desk"



Recent films speak on current events

takes place in Saudi Arabia after a terrorist attack on an American housing compound. I guess its not even an underlying message. I think the topic and point of the film is pretty clear once you see it.

Another film that I feel is really important and many people don't know about is "A Mighty Heart." This movie is based on a book by Mariane Pearl entitled "A Mighty Heart," which she wrote after her husbands kidnapping and murder in Pakistan. Both she and her husband were journalists and after his kidnapping she was very involved in the investigation to find him. The movie stars Angelina Jolie and is filmed documentary style. The movie is a must see, for me especially because they were both journalists.

A film that I'm interested in seeing, but haven't had the chance to yet is "Lion for Lambs." It's

about two completely different stories involving two soldiers, a professor, a Senator and a journalist that are all interconnected because of the war. Some reviews have said that its a lot of talking, but speaks about important issues involving our government.

I feel as though all of these movies give an inside look into different aspects of the Iraq war. "The Kingdom," with the military aspect; "A Mighty Heart," a more personal side of how the war affects people; and "Lions for Lambs," about our government. The war is such a huge part of our society now it's almost impossible not to write about it or make movies about it, but I think its interesting that it took so long to finally get some films out there, films that are more mainstream anyway.

I think its really important that there are films out there bringing issues to the attention of Americans. Even though it may not be entirely accurate (it is Hollywood afterall) and may not cover every issue in our society it gives people a

chance to take a look at something that they usually wouldn't.

If you haven't seen any of these movies I would definitely recommend the first two and after I see the third probably that one too. Even if you don't see these movies I hope that you start to notice how many things in our society are starting to speak out about current events.

If you have been paying attention to certain movie releases lately you may have noticed what I have; that many of these movies seem to have an underlying message. Specifically about the war, a major aspect of our society right now.

Movies like "The Kingdom." "The Kingdom" was a huge blockbuster that touched on a lot of issues that Americas are facing because of the war. In my opinion "The Kingdom," touches mostly on the issues of tolerance. The film

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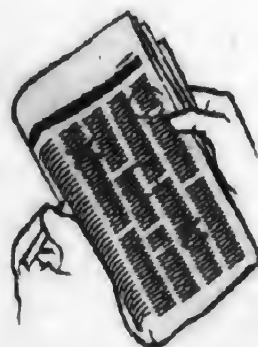
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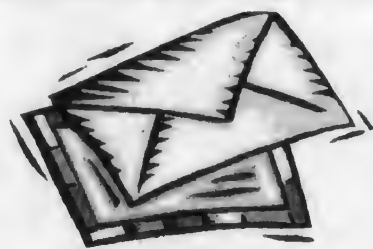
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Letters TO THE Editor

Greek Life at Mansfield, not so stereotypical

Dear editor,

The stereotypes of Greek life are dumbfounding. These stereotypes are Greeks really don't do anything for the school, they party too much and they don't care about their community. I am here to try to change these stereotypes that people have adopted and allow them to understand all the work that Greek life does for their school and for their organization.

Every year the sororities and fraternities get involved with the Mansfield community and participate in the Halloween crosswalk. They would cross the children at specific corners of the town, to make sure that the children were safe crossing the roads on Halloween. The Greeks also are involved in make a difference day, which they would clean certain areas of the town that need to be done. Zeta Tau Alpha and Sigma Alpha Epsilon for the past couple of years would donate pumpkins to the middle school here in Mansfield, and help them paint the pumpkins to take home to their parents.

The Greeks also would raise money for their philanthropies as well. Philanthropy is to help out or donate to a particular cause. Alpha Sigma Tau would hold a battle of the bands for their philanthropy, Habitat for Humanity. Zeta Tau Alpha hosts BMOC, a male beauty pageant, to raise money for Breast Cancer Awareness and Education. Sigma Tau Gamma raises money for books for children around the community. These philanthropies allow their organizations to get involved with a cause that could make a difference.

They stand tall for their organizations; they are not just small sororities and fraternities on this campus but a family within the Greek community. They get involved within Mansfield University participating in other activities involved on campus. These activities consist of the dance team, cheerleading team, MUTV club, radio station, SGA, and the track team. They consider themselves role models, allowing not only the children in their community to look up to them but also their peers as well.

Greek life here at Mansfield is not pretty big, but if these stereotypes were changed maybe those would join Greek life more often. Through out the years Greek life has gotten bigger, but it is not as big as it should be. With all the effort and work that these young men and women do for their community and school. Maybe you as a student would want to join one of our many fraternities or sororities.

Sincerely,
Tara McCalmont

"Talk to Tarreto"

The Flashlight's new advice column with Corey Tarreto. Corey is an intern for the Advocacy Center and also a Peer Advocate.

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Response to "Does the Editor of The Flashlight complain too much?"

This is in response to the previous letter to the editor written by Megan Kujawa. I would just like to say that I found her letter to the editor very rude, and more irritating than the actual letters from the editor that she was stating her opinion on. For one, Do you really have to read the letters? Just as you say in your letter about having the choice to change things, if you don't like to read that section of the paper, don't read it. I choose not to read parts of the paper all of the time. Secondly, isn't writing this complaint exactly what the editor is doing? You're writing something, that's going into the school paper, for other people to read. I see NO difference. If you think that her letters aren't doing anything, then why did you take the time to write yours? Also, how can you even know that the editor is doing "Nothing, instead of just complaining to friends like most of us do"? Have you shadowed her? Have you kept tabs on her extracurricular campus-related events? At least she's trying to make her voice heard. By reading her column about not getting her classes, it made me personally more aware of what other people thought about scheduling. I know I've had problems with it, too. Maybe YOU should check some facts before YOU write a letter as well. You mention facts about incoming freshmen NOW. When I came in, (I am a senior, as well), I was scheduled for thirteen credits. The reason I didn't have twelve is that I had two UNV-like courses, which have now been combined for Biology majors. Yes, I did have courses in my major, and yes, I did have say in my schedule, but as an incoming freshman, I didn't know that, nor did I know the procedures that I needed to follow in order to have a say. Having been here for long enough to go through three presidents and several campus changes, I know that things have become different for incoming freshmen in a very good way. (remember the Gen. Ed. Portfolios?) Things are also different for everyone, and there isn't a standard plan that can be used for every student.

Ultimately what struck me about your letter is that in order to say that you were upset with complaints written in the paper, you wrote complaints. Not only that, but you chose to do so in a very rude manner. If someone wants to be taken seriously, I don't believe using profanity and character insults is the way to do it. Nor is it such a good idea to make generalizations. I don't believe that the editorial is always full of complaints, but rather things that are thought to be important, that should be brought to the attention of the student body. Putting how you feel in a paper I think is the perfect way to cause the stirrings of change, and student awareness. More people need to do so.

-Cheyenne McKibbin

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Flashlight Puzzle Page

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1. What NBA team did Q's dad play for?

- A. Clippers
- B. Lakers
- C. Kings
- D. Trailblazers

2. Where do Monica and her date go after the dance?

- A. Mullholland Drive
- B. Cedar Point
- C. Lovers Lane
- D.

3. Who does Q say will be Monica's date to the spring dance?

- A. Nike
- B. Spaulding
- C. Puma
- D. Ridell

The first person to submit the answers to flashlit@mansfield.edu will win a \$10 Wal-Mart gift card!

Last week's quiz winners- stop by The Flashlight office to pick up your prize.

4. How many offensive rebounds does Monica have in her final game?

- A. 9
- B. 2
- C. 4
- D. 0

5. Where does Q take a girl out when he and Monica are fighting?

- A. McDonalds
- B. Wendys
- C. Subway
- D. Burger King

6. What country does Monica play for after college?

- A. France
- B. Spain
- C. Italy
- D. USA

7. What injury ended Quincy's career?

- A. Torn ACL
- B. Achilles Tendon
- C. Dislocated kneecap
- D. Dislocated Shoulder

Thanksgiving Word Search

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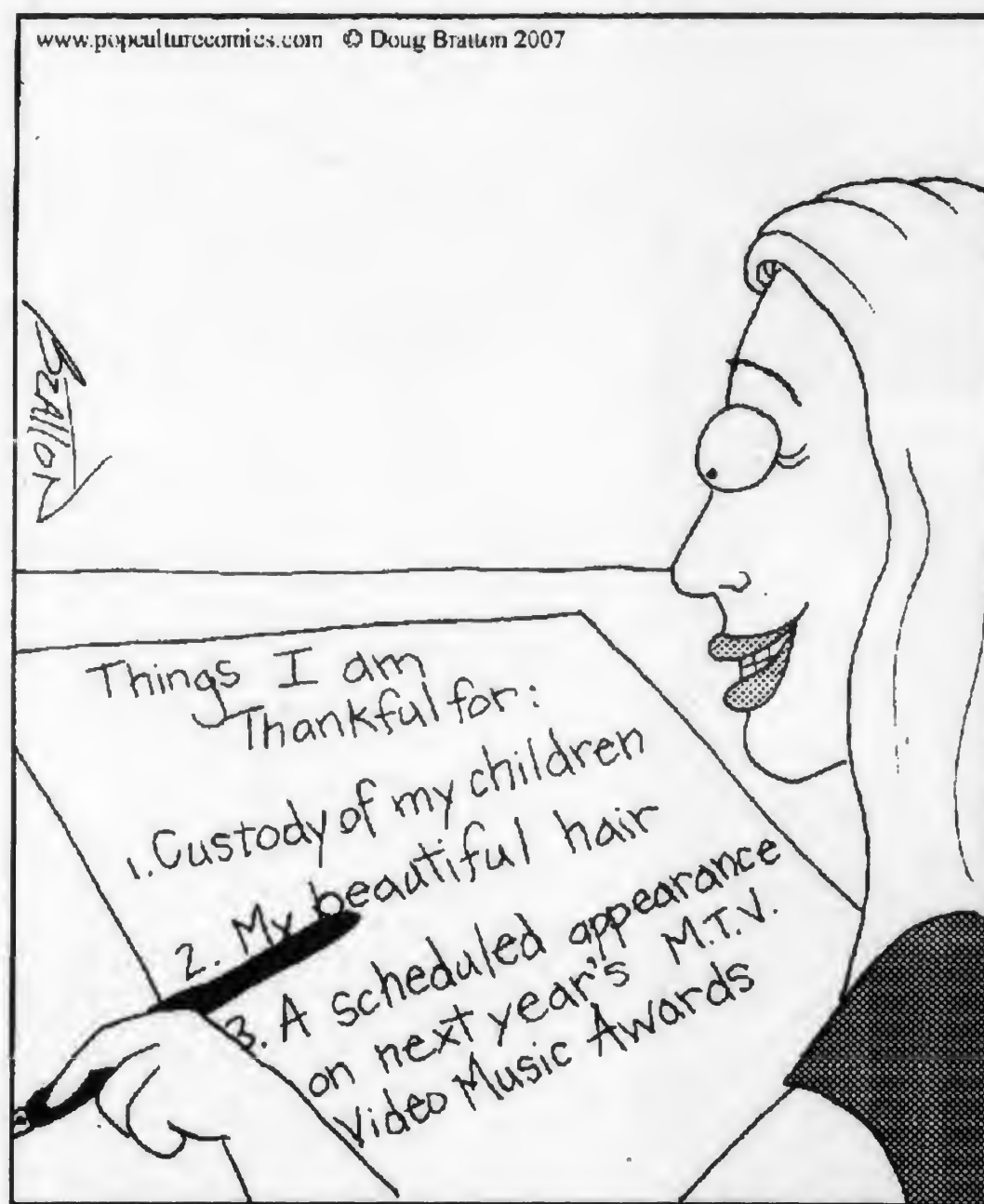
Flashlight Comics



Introducing *The Flashlight's* new comic, *Pop Culture Shock Therapy* by Doug Bratton. This comic began five years ago as a parody on popular culture. It is becoming increasingly popular across the country and is published in dozens of college campuses across the nation. Look for *Pop Culture Shock Therapy* in every issue of *The Flashlight* and check it out at popculturecomics.com. Enjoy!



After Lois Finally Realized that Stewie was Trying to Kill Her



Mind you, this was Britney Spears' Thanksgiving list *last* year. . .



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On the Sidelines with Alicia Espigh: Hard work overcomes adversity

By ERIC BOHANNON

Flashlight Sports Editor

A collegiate athlete has a lot on their plate. There are the summer workouts, the pre-season camp, the actual season and the off-season. Not to mention classes in their spare time. Alicia Espigh has dealt with all of these and more.

Last season Espigh dislocated her knee cap in the third game of the season. It was an injury that happened to Espigh before. The injury forced her to miss the rest of the season. Espigh faced an off-season of slow rehab and a rare surgical procedure on the knee. "The surgery is a new procedure that doctors just started doing a few years ago and is a rare surgery," head athletic trainer Laurie Zaparzynski said. "It used to be just let the injury heal, but the surgery makes a repeat injury less likely."

Espigh's rehab consisted of a lot of quad stretches and to strengthen the vastus medialis, which is the strongest muscle in the quad. The muscle is the first one to weaken and it takes the longest to grow back. "She did a lot of jumping on and off boxes," Zaparzynski said. "It also helped her out with her balance."

It was a slow recovery for Espigh as she wasn't allowed to run until the end of last semester. Even then it was only a jog. "She started to run and do agility drills over the summer," Zaparzynski said. "It's a credit to her for the hard work she put in over the summer. She should be commended for the work she put in."

Now that her knee is healthy, the redshirt junior from Lewistown would like to stay that way for the season. "Every time I thought of giving up on my rehab, I thought about how much I loved basketball and about sitting out last season," Espigh said.

"I got frustrated at times during the rehab," Espigh said. "It felt like I was starting all over again. I have to wear a brace but the knee feels great, but I can't think about if I were to hurt it again."

Espigh has been playing basketball for a long time. She started playing in fifth grade and never played another sport. "There wasn't a moment I wasn't playing basketball," Espigh said. "My dad played basketball in high school and he's taught me everything he knew about the game. I want to make him proud of me when I play."

Last year the team made the Pennsylvania State Athletic Conference playoffs for the second year in a row only to lose in the first round for a second straight year. "We want to make it past the first round this year," Espigh said. "I just want to stay healthy and help the team as much as I can."

Head coach Ruth Hermansen has liked what she has seen from Espigh during practice. "She has come back a more versatile player," Hermansen said. "Her forte has been as a spot up shooter, but she has gotten better off the dribble to. Her ball handling has gotten better and that has helped her with her dribbling. I think the injury made her hungrier, to take nothing for granted. I think sitting out and watching the game made has her a more intelligent player."

This year the Mountaineer back court will feature Espigh and fellow sharp shooter Mallory Hafer. The duo will make it harder for teams to focus on any one player. "It will be good to be on the court at the same time," Espigh said. Especially if one of us is off, the other will probably be on."

Hermansen was also excited about the two being on the court together. "It will stretch the defense more," Hermansen said. "Last year some teams played the triangle and two defense because they thought we had only two players that could hurt them. I would be surprised to see that again this year."



SPORTS INFORMATION

Alicia Espigh has seen her points per-game rise every season since her freshman year in 2004. The Mountaineers will look for another solid season from Espigh. The Mountaineers have their season and home opener on Thursday against Mercyhurst.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Alicia Espigh dislocated her left knee cap last season in the third game of the season but is back and healthy for the Mountaineers this year.

With all the time Espigh spends on basketball, it's amazing she finds time for her school work. Espigh earned the Mansfield Presidential scholar athlete award and with earning at least a 3.25 GPA earned PSAC scholar athlete honors as well.

"I write down what I plan to do every day," Espigh said. "Sometimes I plan out my entire week. Sometimes there's just not enough time in the day."

Espigh has been able to manage her time for class and basketball for the past four years and is ready for another season to begin. The Mountaineers tip-off the season on Thursday at 5:30 p.m. against Mercyhurst. Espigh will be on the court with the rest of her teammates, she will earn every minute of time she plays with her hard work she put in during the off-season.

ON THE SIDELINES:

With Ryan Callahan

I waited in Lower Manser for Ryan Callahan to arrive for my interview. I didn't know what to expect as I sat there reviewing my questions. Before basketball season began, I heard talk of a transfer from a Division I school. Not long after 9 o'clock, a 6'3" student walked through the cafeteria's double doors. After introductions were made, I sat down with the transfer from Wagner University.

I learned that Callahan is from Contoocook, New Hampshire. In high school he scored 2,000 career points. At Wagner, he played 18 games and scored 31 points and shot 77 percent from the foul line. During the Mansfield pre-season, he has put up 11 points against McMaster and 27 against York.

Coach Rich Miller commented on the contribution Callahan will bring to the team. "He can do a lot and is a versatile player. He can score in a variety of ways by shooting threes or pulling up during offense," Miller said. "He is also a smart defender. He's in the right place at the right time. He's a vocal player and isn't afraid to let others know what he wants done. It's an important asset for us."

Danelle Miller: What year are you and what is your major?

Ryan Callahan: I'm a sophomore, biology major.

DM: Why did you choose that major?

RC: I was undecided last year and took a biology class. I enjoyed it so, why not.

DM: Did you play any other sports growing up?

RC: I played a lot of sports, football, volleyball, soccer and basketball.

DM: Why did you choose basketball?

RC: By the time I could walk, basketball was my favorite sport. Out of all the sports I played, I knew basketball was the one I'd easily choose.

DM: How long have you played basketball?

RC: Since I was six.

DM: What interested you in basketball?

RC: The first time I remember playing was at Disney with my cousins. They could make the baskets and I couldn't. I wanted to because they could.

DM: What are some personal goals for the season?

RC: I hope to help the team in whatever facets I can and to compete in the league championships.

DM: What is your motivation during the season?

RC: Last year is my motivation. I didn't get to play, only about four minutes a game. Because I had to sit the bench, it gives me the motivation to want to play.

DM: How do you keep in shape during the off season?

RC: I play in summer leagues and save conditioning for the season. I play pick up games and workout at the Concord YMCA.

DM: What are some awards you have earned?

RC: I was New Hampshire player of the year, First team All-New England in prep school and I was NEPSAC player of the year.

DM: Why did you transfer?

RC: A lot of it was playing time. That was my main motivation behind it.

DM: What other schools were you looking at?

RC: St. Mike's [University of St. Michael's College in the University of Toronto] and Saint Anselm's [Saint Anselm College, Manchester, New Hampshire.]

DM: Why did you choose Mansfield?

RC: On the visit here I enjoyed the campus. Coach Miller called me all the time and it made me feel welcome.

DM: What is it like being a part of the Men's basketball team?

RC: Great. It made the adjustment of transferring easier. I made 15 buddies right away and there's always someone to hang out with.

DM: What was your most difficult obstacle with basketball?

RC: My lack of athleticism. (Laughs.)

DM: Who has been your biggest influence?

RC: My mother. Growing up it was just me and her. She wasn't a sports person, but she was there for me when I



got into sports and she helped guide me through it.

DM: What have you learned from basketball that you will take with you into the future?

RC: How to handle criticism.

DM: What has been your most rewarding experience?

RC: My first college game. I knew it was something I always wanted to do and once I got onto the floor, it was great to have that dream realized.

DM: Has there been a coach who has helped to influence you or help you become a better player?

RC: Coach Chase. He was helpful all through high school and he was there for me during college.



On the Sidelines with Maureen Maikner: Determined in and out of the pool

By NICOLE HAGAN

Flashlight Sports Writer

As an Indian proverb once stated, "Life is not a continuum of pleasant choices, but of inevitable problems that call for strength, determination, and hard work." As Mansfield swimmer, Maureen Maikner inches closer and closer to qualifying for the 2007-2008 PSAC Swimming Championship, her determination to succeed and overcome personal obstacles becomes clear.

Maikner, a senior Math major from Zionsville, PA swam a time of 1:03.74 in the 100 butterfly during Mansfield's tri-meet with Kutztown and Edinboro on Saturday. She improved her time by 0.1 of a second from her previous meet against Bloomsburg. Not only was her time at the Kutztown/Edinboro meet a career best for Maikner, but it was 0.4 seconds off of qualifying for the PSAC Championship. This year's qualifying time for the PSAC Championships is 1:03.34.

Sarah Koontz, a teammate of Maikner, commented on Maikner's possibility of making the time.

"I have no doubt Maureen will make PSAC's. She has so much will and drive and is one hundred percent dedicated to this. If she wants it bad enough and works as hard as she has been, I have no doubt Maureen will qualify for PSAC's," Koontz said. If Maikner breaks the 1:03.34 qualifying bar, it will be her first individual appearance at the championships.

When I met with Maikner in lower Manser, it was hard to concentrate on the interview as college students bumped into her on their way to class and stood in line for the Girl Scout cookies that were being sold at the table next to ours. Luckily, Maikner's energetic attitude and friends that accompanied us at the table were far more entertaining. But even through the hustle and bustle of everyday college life, I was able to sit down and take a look at the smaller, more significant activities that were going on in Maikner's life. After interviewing her, I came to understand an individual who's overcome many obstacles to get to where she sits today. And if things continue as they are, a person whose dedication and faith will lead her towards her personal goal for this season; to make her first individual appearance at the PSAC Championships and beat the 1:01 record.

Nicole Hagan: How long have you been swimming?

Maureen Maikner: I've been swimming since I was six.

NH: Did you play any other sports growing up?

MM: I did gymnastics, played soccer, and did ju-jitsu for one day, but quit because I hated it.

NH: Okay, well aside from ju-jitsu, why did you decide to stick with swimming instead of playing soccer or doing gymnastics?

MM: I started swimming when I was six, but quit for gymnastics actually. Originally, gymnastics were my passion. But, I later hurt my back in gymnastics and ended up in a back brace. I went back to swimming because it was therapeutic on my back. Strangely enough, I haven't always been passionate about swimming.

NH: So that's the only reason you started swimming again?

MM: I also started back up with swimming because my sister swam. I've always been a very competitive person, especially with my sister, so I wanted to compete and do better than her in swimming. Now, my sister is twenty-three and she no longer swims, but she's always there for me and has been very supportive of my swimming.

NH: Why did you decide to come to Mansfield University?

MM: First, I wanted to get away from home. Mansfield is about three hours away from Zionsville, so I figured it would be a good choice. Also, I received a scholarship to go here.

NH: Are you glad you stayed?

MM: Yeah, I'm glad I stayed. I've had some ups and downs here, but I think everyone goes through that.

NH: How do you train to get prepared for the swim season?

MM: During the summer, I worked at a Boy Scout camp as a waterfront director. Every day, I would get in the lake and do a few laps. Additionally, I'd wake up early and lift and do sit-ups and push-ups.

NH: The swim team here is pretty small. There's only nine swimmers on the swim team right?

MM: Yes.

NH: Is it ever a negative factor? For instance, Mansfield doesn't have as many swimmers as other teams, so you can't compete in as many events and often lose the meets due to a lack of swimmers to score in different events.

MM: Well, at first glance it would seem like a negative factor. It's intimidating when you go up against a school like West Chester who has thirty swimmers. The fact that we have a small team can also seem like a bad thing when we go to the PSAC's. Our team will have like eleven points and another team like West Chester will have eighty-some. So in that sense, it can seem negative. However, I like that the team is so small because there aren't any clicks and there isn't as much drama. Also, with a smaller team, you have more of an opportunity to showcase yourself and your swimming skills.

NH: Are there any special goals the team has for this season?

MM: We want to make it to the PSAC's. Also, we want to be a more united team. Last year, there was not a very good team atmosphere. However, this year we seem to be getting along better and creating healthy bonds.

NH: Against Bloomsburg, you posted a career best in the 100 butterfly. The time was just 0.5 of a second off of qualifying for the PSAC championship. Tell me about that swim meet. Why do you think you did so well? What was going through your head before you swam and after you realized your time?

MM: During that meet, the timing system wasn't working. I was really nervous, like I always get before I swim, and my Dad (who is a huge form of motivation for me) was there telling me to "just relax." I said my mini prayer before I stepped onto the block and everything seemed like it always did at the time. Looking back, I realize I had this completely different mentality before I stepped onto the block. As I was swimming the first 50 meters of the race, I felt smooth, like I was riding the water. Then, in the second 50 meters, I was like "I gotta beat em and just go all out." It was a really hard race. But when I looked up at my time and realized what I got, I screamed; I was so happy. My Dad was shaking from it.

NH: Since you started swimming here at Mansfield, how do you think the team has progressed?

MM: I think the team has grown a lot in talent and unity. In my opinion, it's not about the numbers; it's about the talent and heart of the swimmer. Coach does a really good job at getting us motivated and helping us progress and grow as swimmers too.

NH: So far, what has been your most rewarding experience through college swimming?



MM: Well, because of my swimming here, I got noticed by the waterfront director at the Boy Scout camp I worked at over the summer. I got the job because the director knew I was a lifeguard and a swimmer. I think the fact that my hard work here led me to getting a job in the outside world is a pretty rewarding experience.

NH: So far, what has been your most difficult task to overcome through college swimming?

MM: Injuries were pretty difficult. It seemed like every semester I was on crutches or had shoulder problems from swimming. I've gone through my fair share of personal problems too, so I've had to overcome them throughout the years.

NH: What motivates you to swim?

MM: My dad is my biggest motivation. He's unbelievably supportive. Like I said earlier, I live three hours away from Mansfield. My dad makes it to every swim meet. He drives three hours to come to them. I actually get sad when my dad can't be there. I can always hear him cheering as I swim.

NH: Who's been your biggest influence?

MM: Well, along those same lines, my dad is my biggest influence and my biggest motivation. My sister is also one of my biggest influences because she got me to be competitive within the sport. Basically, my family is my biggest influence.

NH: Do you, personally, have any goals for this season?

MM: I want to make it to the PSAC's and, if possible, break the 1:01 record.

NH: What are your plans for after graduation?

MM: I think I want to go to graduate school for math, but I'm still feeling out my options.

NH: Explain to me what it's like to be a part of the Mansfield Swimming team.

MM: We're like a big group of sisters who all have one thing in common. We like to swim.

NH: Is there anything else you'd like to add?

MM: I just want to take this opportunity to say that I give a lot of credit to my coach. She inspires me to do better and pushes me to continue when I really don't feel like doing some things. I could be screaming that I want to quit, but doesn't let me give up. When I look up at my times and realize what I've accomplished, it all seems worth it.

Maikner, Stillittano lead Mountaineers at Kutztown

By CHRISTOPHER BOSWELL

Flashlight Sports Writer

On Saturday afternoon the Mansfield University swim team traveled to Kutztown for a tri-meet against Kutztown and Edinboro. Mansfield finished in last place overall on the day. The last place team finish, though, was not a result of lack of effort.

"The team did great as a whole," senior

Maureen Maikner said.

Maikner ended the meet with two third place finishes and one fourth place finish. Her third place finishes were in the 100 butterfly with a time of 1:03.74 and in the 200 individual medley with a time of 2:36.29. Maikner also had a fourth place finish in the 100 breaststroke with a time of 1:14.14.

"I was really pleased with my times," Maikner said. "Especially with the 100 fly because I should be getting really close to the PSAC qualifying time."

Freshman Katherine Stillittano finished the meet with a third place finish in the 200 butterfly with a time of 2:27.29.

Junior teammate Tricia Learn had a fourth place finish in one of the longest races, the 1000 freestyle with a time of 11:47.18.

"My time was decent considering I just came off of cross country and I really didn't have a lot of time to practice with the team in the pool," Learn said. "It was really great because the whole team was cheering and that really helped the environment a lot."

This weekend the Mountaineer swimmers will make the trip back to Kutztown for the Kutztown Invitational. After Thanksgiving break the team will travel to Millersville on Dec. 8.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Junior Tricia Learn took fourth place in the tri-meet at Kutztown on Saturday. The junior is also a runner on the cross country team. Learn hasn't had much practice team but she did not let that effect her on Saturday.

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Cummings prepares for nationals while rest of team gets ready for ECAC's

By ALLEN BENNETT
Flashlight Sports Writer

This weekend the Mansfield University Cross Country team will travel to the ECAC championships and senior Chris Cummings will travel to Missouri Southern State for the National Championships.

The team will be competing on Saturday at Van Cortlandt Park in Bronx, New York. The women's team showed great improvement at regional's last week. Brenae Edwards is a freshman on the team, "Our mileage has gone up slightly, at least for the girls and we have made some changes the past couple of weeks with our training but it has seemed to help," Edwards said.

The men have kept their schedule pretty much the same. "It's basically the same thing we have been doing all season, one or two hard days a week and getting our mileage in," freshman Joe Stanek said. "I'm pretty confident in what coach is doing with our mileage and all our workouts."

Stanek is looking forward to the ECAC championships. "I'm pretty excited because it's a big meet and I'm hoping to run my best time of the year."

"I think they'll do pretty well, they don't know the competition that well, that is a group of teams that we don't really see a lot," Cummings said about the team on their upcoming meet at the ECAC.

With a big race coming up, the underclassmen have looked to the seniors for support. "The guys around me, the seniors support us well and have been teaching us well," Stanek said.

"Yeah I'm nervous," Edwards said. "I always am. There is going to be a lot of good schools. I just hope to go out and have a good race."

"I am really excited about it. I always wanted to run here since the beginning of high school but I never got the chance," Edwards said. "I've heard it's a fun course and it's our last meet so I hope to make it the best."

Coach Mike Rohl has confidence in his freshmen, "I think over the next few years they are going to be a great core of athletes, they are going to develop well, they're very dedicated, they've really been taught well by the upperclassmen," Rohl said. "Besides Chris and Josh, we have seniors Dave Sanford and Sarah Pinkowski and they have really provided great leadership to teach the young kids how things are done around here and what the expectations are."

"The first thing that we always try to do is make sure they understand this is one aspect of their life and this isn't everything in their life," Rohl said. "I try to remind them of the good training they have done, that they are well prepared, and that I believe that they can accomplish their goals and that they should to."

Senior Chris Cummings has plenty to be excited

for as he heads to the National Championships on Saturday at Missouri Southern State, "I'm excited being that this is my first chance, I've never made it nationals in cross country before," Cummings said. "I'm a little nervous but I would say that there is not really a lot of pressure, nobody really expects or knows what is going to happen."

"I think that the last goal that Chris had as an athlete was to get to the cross country nationals, indoor nationals and outdoor nationals, and he just got his last year," Rohl said. He is filling that last part of that triple crown of going to all three nationals."

Fellow senior Josh Wooten just missed a chance at the National Championship last week with his eighth place finish at the East Regional. That finish however earned him All NCAA East Regional honors. "I love that kid; he is one of my best friends," Cummings said. "He came back specifically to run. He is great runner and friend."

Coach Rohl also likes Wooten's attitude, "He loves the sport. He came back for his last semester of eligibility because he loves the sport," Rohl said, "The best thing about Josh is he finished that race and he just missed going to nationals and the first thing he asked was how did the team do."



SPORTS INFORMATION
Senior Dave Sanford will be one of two seniors running at the ECAC's on Saturday, for Mansfield

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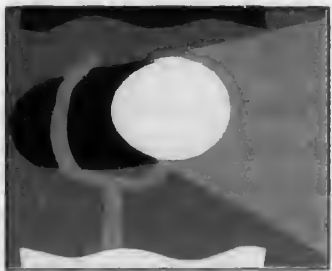
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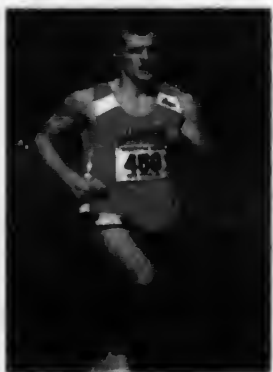
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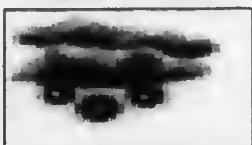
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Is Student Government Association acting in the best interest of the students?

By KAY BARRETT
Senior Staff Writer

Student Government Association (SGA) has proposed a plan to restructure the Committee on Finance (COF) to produce more communication between the two groups.

The restructuring will mean that all members of COF will be replaced by SGA senators who will still have to report to SGA. The Chair of COF will then be replaced with the Vice President of Finance from SGA.

Michael Conaway, President of SGA, believes the proposal can only help the student body.

"The student body can do so much as long as there is clear communication between everyone. This will help with that," Conaway said.

Corey Tarreto, the current chair of COF, believes that COF already has good communication with SGA and that the restructuring is not necessary.

"It's supposed to unify everything under SGA, so there is better communication, but COF is already doing that. When an organization comes to COF and wants to do an event, we always inform SGA and keep them informed

on what is happening. I'm not exactly sure what the restructuring is going to do that we are not already doing," Tarreto said.

In the past, students have had rallies and protests when they believed SGA was doing something unfair or hurtful to the student body, but Conaway says students will not object to this change.

"Having backlash with the restructuring plan? No! This is to aid the students. If the proposal was made public. [Students] would agree," Conaway said, "Students may not always know what is going on but students will rally in the event they feel they are not being served properly. I would encourage student input on a matter such as this."

Tarreto says that the problem is that students do not know what is going on in SGA and that SGA does not provide an open atmosphere for students to express their viewpoints.

"The student body would be surprised if they knew about the restructuring. I don't think people know what is going on in SGA. It is happening behind their backs. The public is allowed to come to SGA meetings, but the meetings are

unwelcoming. People from the public are not allowed to talk until the end of the meeting and by that time everyone is leaving and no one is listening," Tarreto said.

Jim Harrington, advisor to SGA and COF, is not in favor of the restructuring because he believes it will make the power allotted to the two organizations one sided.

"The restructuring is a huge mistake because it would limit the amount of control to one group of students," Harrington said. "There needs to be these checks and balances from people outside of SGA, so that we are bringing as many viewpoints to the table as possible. COF provides an outside diversity, because many of these students are not involved in SGA and can say and support things without bias."

Conaway disputes Harrington's ideas of too much power and a lack of diversity within SGA.

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Commuter council has hopes of rejuvenating former organization

By LAURA HALL
Senior Staff Writer

The Commuter Council is hoping to reestablish its presence as an active organization on the Mansfield University Campus by the beginning of next semester.

The reestablishment is being headed up by Brian Pinkney. Pinkney is a sophomore, Criminal Justice major and a commuter student. He has been working with Jim Harrington, the Associate Vice President for Student Affairs and adviser to the Commuter Council, and Chuck Colby, the Director of Residence Life, to bring the Commuter Council back into existence.

The Commuter Council has been here for many years, but Director of Student Activities and former adviser to the group. Clarence Crisp said that "it goes in waves, having been active 10 - 12 times" since its inception.

The concept for the reestablishment of the

Commuter Council came about at the reception for the opening of the Commuter Connection in Maple Hall. "Commuters don't have much input to what's going on on campus. [The Commuter Council] is an opportunity for commuters to have a voice in what goes on and [will allow them to] express their needs because they are different than those of the students who live in the residence halls," Harrington said. "Commuter students can choose their own activities and schedule them during the day [when they have the time to participate in them]."

"We are trying to get commuters and their families involved in the university," Pinkney said.

Debra Marbaker is a commuter student and member of the commuter council.

"I often feel as though I'm not getting a good college experience because I don't know what's going on on campus. I think the Com-

muter Council will help make that better for all of the commuter students," Marbaker said. "[Commuter students should join because] not only can they help themselves while helping others, but it's great to take part in an organization. It's hard for commuters to get involved, but we're trying to find times and create an atmosphere that allows the commuters to take part in helping out."

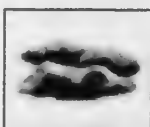
Even though most commuter students don't participate in the activities offered on campus they still pay an activity fee. "Commuter students who pay these will reap some benefits from what [the group] will be contributing," Harrington said.

To spread the word about the Commuter Council and the activities they will hold, emails will be sent out and a Facebook group will most likely be created.

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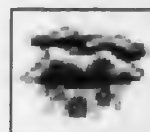
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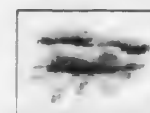
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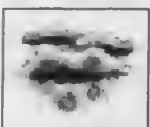
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www.weather.com**Police Beat****October 31, 2007 -**

Taz Burrous, 21 and Sarah Bunting, 20 were involved in a disturbance at Pinecrest Manor at 9:30 p.m. Both individuals have been Judicial Referred to Residence Life. Bunting has been charged with Disorderly Conduct.

November 14, 2007 -

Bret Kilefner, 18, Christopher Bogenschutz, 18, Sean Vollenweider, 18, Buddy Winward, 19, Mason Teribury, 18, John Gilburn, 18, and Michael Messner, 21 are facing criminal charges of Disorderly Conduct and Judicial Referrals for creating a hazard by throwing homemade bombs out the windows of Maple B onto Morris Drive. Messner is only facing Judicial Referral.

November 19, 2007 -

Bradlee White, 22, is being charged with Trespass and Disorderly conduct after appearing in the Office of Residence Life and allegedly using abusive language in a confrontation with university personnel after being served with a notice prohibiting his presence on campus

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**Flashlight Writers of the Week:
Issue 10, November 15, 2007****CONGRATULATIONS!**

News: Rebecca Hazen

Features: Kimberlee Block

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**News Briefs****AIDS Quilt comes to Mansfield**

As part of the international commemoration of World AIDS Day, December 1, 2007, sections of the internationally celebrated AIDS Memorial Quilt – the 54-ton, handmade tapestry that stands as a memorial to more than 90,000 individuals lost to AIDS – will be on display from December 1 to 3 at Mansfield University's Kelchner Fitness Center.

This free display will include panels commemorating people from the Northern Tier of Pa. and the Southern Tier of New York who have died of AIDS. Opening ceremonies at noon, Dec. 1, will include family members and friends of those commemorated in the panels on display. Visitors may attend Dec. 1 from noon to 6 p.m., Dec. 2 from noon to 6 p.m. and Dec. 3 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Julie Rhoad, executive director of The NAMES Project Foundation, said "We are thrilled to have the chance to share sections of The Quilt with the Mansfield Community. These handmade blocks, created by friends and family, tell the stories of individuals who have lost their lives to AIDS. We bring you their stories in the hope of inspiring compassion, healing and personal responsibility. We thank Mansfield University for hosting this event and we invite you all out to see what wonderful art we have created together as a nation."

Established in 1987, The NAMES Project Foundation is the international organization that is the custodian of The AIDS Memorial Quilt. The AIDS Memorial Quilt began with a single 3 x 6 foot panel created in San Francisco in 1987. Today, The Quilt is composed of more than 47,000 individual 3 x 6 foot panels, each one commemorating the life of someone who has died of AIDS. These panels come from every state in the nation, every corner of the globe and they have been sewn by hundreds of thousands of friends, lovers and family members into an epic memorial, the largest piece of ongoing community art in the world. Rhoad explains, "The Quilt transforms statistics into souls, loss into hope, and indifference into understanding. That is why this World AIDS Day – December 1, 2007 – The NAMES Project Foundation has partnered with hundreds of organizations around the country to try and get every 12 foot by 12 foot block of Quilt – almost 6,000 blocks – on display. We are so grateful that Mansfield University is part of this ambitious grassroots effort to raise awareness and save lives."

In a war against a disease that has no cure, The AIDS Memorial Quilt has evolved as a potent tool in the effort to educate against the lethal threat of AIDS. By revealing the humanity behind the statistics, The AIDS Memorial Quilt helps teach compassion, triumphs over taboo, stigma and phobia; and inspires individuals to take direct responsibility for their own well-being and that of their family, friends and community.

Mansfield will be displaying 36 blocks – 288 panels. For more information on the NAMES Project and The AIDS Memorial Quilt, please visit aidsquilt.org or call the national headquarters at (404) 688-5500.

Nutcracker comes to Straughn

Sunday, December 2, 2007, 3:00 p.m. at Mansfield University - Straughn Auditorium/Theatre and Saturday, December 15, 2007, 2:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m. at Corning Museum of Glass Auditorium. General Admission for all events.

Tickets: \$15 Adults; \$10 Students (9 and older) & Senior Citizens; \$5 Child (1-8 years). For tickets call 607-734-8191 or 800-724-0159; or... Order Tickets for Mansfield performance on Sun, Dec 2. Order Tickets for Corning performances on Sat, Dec 15

The Nutcracker in Motion is a family friendly holiday Classic all jazzed up and it is taking the show on the road! This year the cast will share Clara's adventure with local schools and community centers. Full length performances will be held in Mansfield, Pennsylvania and Corning, New York. The performance features toe-tapping music, exciting special effects and dance variations with jazz, tap, lyrical, acrobatics and ballet.

Spotlight on Campus:



By **REBECCA HAZEN**
Senior Flashlight Writer

Men For Progress provides an opportunity for underprivileged males to join something that is geared specifically for them.

The group aims to focus attention on issues that under represented men face. The mission is to mentor and help under represented males develop leadership skills. One of the main purposes of Men For Progress is to help students and to do good for the community.

Cordell Crawley is the Vice President of Men For Progress. "This group wants to do some good on this campus and in the year or so that we've been here, I think we've achieved

that in a variety of ways. The amazing thing is that were only getting better at this," Crawley said.

Men For Progress participates in quite a few activities. The organization sponsors the Attic's Open Mics that are held in Jazzman's Café. They volunteer by traveling to Williamsport every Saturday to work with children. They also volunteer in Elmira. They have also hosted several forums and basketball tournaments.

"I think that because it is our first year of existence we were a little hampered. This is the first time that we've done something like this and we are slowly learning how to bring a better product to the campus. Although many would say that we have done an excellent job so far, we believe that we can do better," Crawley said.

Crawley believes that Men For Progress is having a positive effect on campus. "The open Mics have brought the campus together to enjoy them. The forums that we put together give the campus the opportunity to learn more extensively about several things. Professors even get into the mix by giving their students extra credit to go to some of our activities proving that even the professors are beginning to become influenced by our success," Crawley said.

MEN FOR PROGRESS

The open mics were founded on the idea that it was an opportunity for students to take a break from studying and have fun for a couple of hours. The game tournaments were based on the same principles. Every event that Men for Progress has hosted helped a student in one way or another.

"One major addition this year for members is Men-space. At our meetings it's an opportunity for us to go through current events and give our thoughts and opinions. It's truly an opportunity for our members to learn from one and other and may be the best installation of the organization because now our members can say that they walk away from every meeting and have learned something new," said Crawley.

Anyone is able to join. People may get the impression that because the name of the group is Men for Progress that it is only for men, but that is not the case. Although the group is geared at underprivileged men on campus, they do not limit membership. Women are welcome.

If you know a student, faculty member or organization that deserves recognition please e-mail us at flashlit@mansfield.edu

Info-To-Go Campus Bulletin Board Mansfield University

❖ Friday, November 30 at 7 p.m. WNTS and PRSSA are sponsoring a Benefit Concert at The Hut. All proceeds will benefit Santa's gift bag. The bands include Stasis, Hope Lies Beyond, Sincerely Monroe and The Loyalty.

❖ Cedarcrest Hall Council is holding a Christmas Benefit Bash at 9:00 p.m. on December 8 in The Hut. Everyone is welcome to attend the benefit, have a last hurrah before finals and do something good for families in need this holiday season!

❖ Come celebrate the holiday season with the Mansfield University Choral Ensemble as they present the 16th Annual Holiday Choral Concert on Friday, November 30th at 7:30 p.m. in Steadman Theatre for the campus community. This is an exclusive live performance for the campus community. Call 607-752-1010 to reserve tickets or view the concert. The theme of the concert, "Peace on Earth," is captured in a wonderful mixture of classical and popular pieces enhanced at times by the magic of candlelight. Music for men's, women's, and mixed choirs from the Renaissance period to the latest styles that depict peace in the sacred and secular world will resound from Mansfield University's Steadman Theatre. Familiar carols and hymns for audience participation will be included as well as accompaniment with organ, brass, and percussion.

'SGA'

"The power already belongs to Student Government; when clubs and organizations come to COF that decision is not final. It must then be approved by Student Government. Student Government represents the students, therefore can the students have too much power? It's [SGA's] purpose is to collect, manage and expend these funds," Conaway said, "COF votes on their own members therefore one group with enough control would be able to manipulate the situation. Student Government has in place right now the Big Ten, which consist of the ten major organizations on campus: ARHC, WNTS, Flashlight, Greek Life, BSU, MAC, SAAC, Commuter Student, MISO, Kelchner Fitness Center, each of these clubs are guaranteed a spot on Student Government."

However, Harrington thinks many students confuse power with responsibility. SGA has to be certain that they are clear about both terms.

"Leadership is not about power, it is about responsibility," Harrington said, "SGA has some good motives with this plan, but I don't feel that this is the right way to achieve their goals."

SGA's restructuring proposal will have to be approved by the president before it can be put into action. If the proposal is approved, current COF members will be allowed to continue until the end of their term if they choose to do so. Tarreto is still unsure of where her future lies in COF.

"I'm not sure if I will stay on COF if the proposal is approved. My goal is for that [proposal approval] not to happen," Tarreto said.

'COMMUTER'

At the time of this interview the Commuter Council was waiting to get the 10 members they need to become an organization and waiting for approval from SGA, from whom they hope to be funded. "The group [will function] like any other organization," Harrington said. "They have a written constitution and the group will vote for officers."

Harrington hopes that enough commuter students become involved to adequately represent the 50 percent of the student body that are commuter students. He also hopes that the council will be able to plan activities that will get more commuter students involved.

"I would like it to be an integral part of campus and as active as SGA," Harrington said.

While the organization would like to have all commuter students, it is open to all students.

Meetings are Thursdays at 12:30 p.m. in Alumni Hall Room 320.

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CAMPUS EVENTS CALENDAR

Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday
Nov. 29 ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show, North Hall ~ Mansfield Parents Association Bake Sale, Lower Manser ~ 1 p.m.-1:45 p.m. Career Readiness Workshop: Job Search Secrets, Retan 104 ~ 8 p.m. Comic Mixer, Straughn Auditorium	30 ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show, North Hall ~ 12 p.m.-6 p.m. Red Cross Blood Drive, AHSC 307 ~ 8 p.m. Psychic Madman, AHSC 307	Dec. 1 ~ 12 p.m.-6 p.m. AIDS Quilt on display, KFC ~ 1 p.m. Alyssa Eddings and Sarah Derrick, Senior Trumpet/ Junior Oboe Recital, Steadman Theater ~ 3 p.m. Gabriel Wagaman, Senior Clarinet Recital, Steadman Theater ~ 7:30 p.m. Holiday Concert, Steadman Theater	2 ~ 12 p.m.-6 p.m. AIDS Quilt on display, KFC ~ 3 p.m. Holiday Concert, Troy High School Auditorium	3 ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show ~ 9 a.m.-6 p.m. AIDS Quilt on display, KFC ~ 8:15 p.m. Justin Pfaff/ Piano Ensemble, Senior Piano Recital, Steadman Theater	4 ~ "Partners in Life and Art" Gallery Show ~ 12:30 p.m.-3:30 p.m. HIV testing, MU Clinic ~ 6 p.m.-10 p.m. Laser Tag, AHSC 3rd Floor ~ 8 p.m. Guitar Ensemble Concert, Steadman Theater	5 ~ 8 p.m. Orchestra Holiday Concert, Steadman Theater
6 ~ 7:30 p.m. Low Brass Holiday Concert, Steadman Theater	7 ~ Last Day of Fall Semester ~ 8:30 a.m.-3 p.m. Visitation Day, Steadman Theater	8	9	10 ~ Final Exams	11 ~ Final Exams	12 ~ Final Exams



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What in the world? News in a flash by Eric Bohannon



Sean Taylor was murdered in his home by an intruder early Tuesday morning.

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Redskin's safety killed in early morning attack

By ERIC BOHANNON

Flashlight Sports Editor

NFL superstar Sean Taylor, 24, died when his home was robbed early in the morning. Taylor was shot once in the leg puncturing his femoral artery causing him to lose a massive amount of blood. This puncture lead to his death.

Taylor was at his home because of a knee injury that caused him to miss the last two games. Most teams have a policy where injured players don't travel to away games.

Taylor was a first round pick of the Redskins in 2004, when Washington took him with the fifth pick overall.

Taylor made the Pro Bowl last year and already had a career high five interceptions which was second in the NFL.

The police were called to Taylor's home about 1:45 a.m.

Taylor's girlfriend told police

the two of them were awoken when they heard loud noises. Someone then broke through the bedroom door, firing two shots, one missing Taylor, the other striking him in the leg.

The couple's one year-old daughter Jackie, was also in the house, but neither Jackie or Taylor's girlfriend were injured.

According to a preliminary investigation, it appears the victim was shot inside the by an intruder," Miami-Dade County police said in a statement. "We do not have a subject description at this time."

"It is with deep regret that a young man had to come to his end so soon," father Pedro Taylor said in a statement on behalf of the family. "Many of his fans loved him because the way he played football. Many of his opponents feared him the way he approached the game. Others misunderstood him, many appreciated him and his family loved him."

Soon after Taylor was drafted in 2004, off the field problems continued to plague him.

He fired his agent and skipped the mandatory rookie symposium that the NFL mandates that all rookies attend. Taylor drew a \$25,000 fine for missing the event.

During the season Taylor was driving home elate from a party and was pulled over and charged with drunk driving. The case was dismissed in court.

On the field, Taylor was fined seven times for late hits, hits resulting in personal fouls, uniform violations and other violations over his first three seasons in the league. The blackest moment of his career was when he spit in the face of running back Michael Pittman in a 2006 playoff game. Taylor was fined \$17,000 for the incident.

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This Week in Politics - National and Foreign News

By **CHRISTIAN JOHNSON**
Flashlight Writer

Bush and Gore Meet Again

On Monday Nov. 26, President George W. Bush reunited with long-time Rival Al Gore during a ceremony for 2007 Nobel Prize Winners. In October, Gore won a Nobel Prize for his work on Global Warming. After the ceremony, President Bush and the former vice president had a 40-minute meeting in the Oval Office. Afterwards, Bush aides said that the conversation was private and that he would not comment. On the other hand, Gore told the press that the entire meeting was spent talking about global warming. "He was very gracious in setting up the meeting and it was a very good and substantive conversation," said Gore. The meeting between Gore and Bush came just days before the president plans to set up a major Middle East peace conference in Annapolis, Maryland. The first and last time the two met privately was in 2000 when then-President-elect Bush paid a short visit to Gore's residence in December. This recent meeting isn't the only time in Bush's presidency that he was in an uncomfortable situation with a fellow politician. In 2002, Bush invited Jimmy Carter to the White House to celebrate his Nobel Peace Prize, despite the fact that Carter was a harsh critic of the Bush administration's path toward war in Iraq.

Poll Shows GOP Candidates are favored Over Clinton

According to a recent Zogby International poll, all five of the leading Republican presidential candidates would beat Democratic presidential hopeful Hillary Clinton. However, Barack Obama out-pollled the five Republican candidates, which includes Rudy Giuliani, Mitt Romney, Fred Thompson, John McCain and Mike Huckabee. The national poll was equally divided between 10,000 people, both Democrats and Republicans. Although Clinton leads the party's overall nomination with 42.7 percent, this latest poll shows that she is slipping in several early caucus and primary states. When matched up against Obama, the GOP hopefuls are getting beat by the Illinois Senator by a margin of 46 percent to 40 percent. This includes Romney (45.8 percent to 39.9 percent), Huckabee (45.8 percent to 39.6 percent), McCain (44.8 percent to 38.2 percent) and Thompson (46.4 percent to 39.9 percent).

As the Clinton and Obama campaigns battle it out in the polls, a war of words has already begun. Recently, Clinton's campaign attacked Obama over the distribution of money by the

Pope Benedict XVI to visit New York, D.C. - fearful of Boston protesters

By **REBECCA HAZEN**
Flashlight Writer

Pope Benedict XVI will be making his first trip as Pope to the United States this spring, but will not be visiting Boston, a city with a large population of Catholics.

Benedict will arrive in the U.S. on the eve of his 81st birthday. He will be making stops only in Washington D.C. and New York during his four-day tour with only two events scheduled daily.

On April 17 the pope will hold a public Mass at the Washington Nationals baseball stadium. On April 18, he will address the United Nations. This is considered the highlight of his tour. On April 19, there will be a Mass with priests, deacons and members of religious orders at St. Patrick's Cathedral. This date is also the third anniversary of his papal election. On April 20, he will visit Ground Zero, the site of the 9/11 terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center. This will be the first papal trip to the U.S. since the attacks. He will also celebrate a public Mass at Yankee Stadium.

The Pope will not be visiting Boston, which is a major Catholic populated city. Ever since 2001, there has been a priest sex abuse crisis in Boston. This is where the head of the Archdiocese, Cardinal Bernard Law, was forced to resign after he protected a priest who he knew had sexually abused young

members of his church.

According to a statement by the Survivors Network of those Abused by Priests (SNAP), Benedict is missing a "golden opportunity" to confront the crisis head-on. Victims' activist Anne Barrett Doyle told the Agence France Presse that the Pope is avoiding Boston for fear of protests.

She added that his three days in New York is a sign of papal support for the city's Archbishop, Cardinal Edward Egan, who has refused to release documents about accused priests, in contrast to the Boston archdiocese's belated disclosure of similar documents. "So the pope is sending the signal that he is honoring the cardinal who may be his most successful keeper of secrets," Doyle said.

Father Thomas Reese, a senior research fellow at the Woodstock Theological Center in Washington, says other factors were taken into account for Benedict's choice to limit his trip to just two cities. The original purpose of the trip was to speak at the United Nations, as both Pope Paul VI and Pope John Paul II did. Benedict wanted to extend the stay and visit the nation's capital as well. The trip was never intended to be a U.S. tour. "The choice of Washington and New York was preordained," Reese said. "If they went to a third diocese, everyone else would say 'why didn't you come to us?'"

The Pontiff will arrive in Washington on April 15 and will receive a White House welcome on his birthday. He will meet



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Senator's political action committee, Hopefund. According to the Washington Post, Obama's committee distributed \$180,000 to officials in early voting states of Iowa, New Hampshire and South Carolina. Clinton said Obama's use of the fund is inconsistent with his views on campaign finance. Obama is known for being outspoken and critical of lobbyist influence on elections and said that he would never except special interest group donations. "On the campaign trail, Senator Obama is outspoken about his desire to reform the campaign finance system, so it was surprising to learn that he has been using his PAC in a manner that appears to be inconsistent with the prevailing election laws," said a Clinton campaign release. At a recent speech at a high school in Northern New Hampshire Obama portrayed himself as a Washington "outsider". He then directed some comments toward Clinton when he said that some presidential candidates "have been in Washington too long."

Cheney Treated for Irregular Heartbeat

On Monday, Vice President Dick Cheney was treated at George Washington University Hospital in Washington, D.C for an irregular heartbeat during a checkup for cold symptoms. During the examination, doctors found arterial fibrillation, which is an abnormal rhythm of the upper chambers of the heart. Cheney was able to return home Monday to rest. Vice President Cheney has a long history of health problems including poor heart condition. In 1978, Cheney had his first heart attack that encouraged him to stop smoking. Then in 1988, he suffered a third heart attack in which quadruple bypass surgery had to be performed. In 2005 he underwent a procedure to repair dangerous bulges in the arteries behind both of his knees. His most recent hospital trip came in March for deep venous thrombosis that resulted in a blood clot in his left leg.



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Pope Benedict XVI's stops in the U.S. does not include Boston, one of the most Catholic cities in the nation.

with U.S. bishops at the Basilica of the Shrine of Immaculate Conception.

Fatal RIT and ESU fires raise fire safety awareness at MU

By REBECCA HAZEN

Flashlight Writer

Students at Rochester Institute of Technology in New York and East Stroudsburg University of Pennsylvania were recently killed in separate fires.

Syed Ali Turab, 21, a fourth-year communications student at Rochester Institute of Technology, and Seth Policzer, 21, a fourth-year computer engineering student, both died when an early morning blaze ripped through their apartment.

A third RIT student, Michael DiCocco, a fourth-year industrial design student, was rescued by firefighters from a second-floor window. He recovered at Strong Memorial Hospital and was later listed in stable, satisfactory condition.

Jeff Dailey, an East Stroudsburg student 23, died Thursday morning in a fire that quickly spread through a duplex in East Stroudsburg, where he lived with two East Stroudsburg University basketball players. Tiekia Jackson, 25, a visitor who stayed the night in the other side of the duplex, also died.

Both fires were determined as accidental, but investigators have not found out the origins of the fires.

Luckily, Mansfield University has not had any fire related deaths. How can Mansfield University students prevent these incidents from happening? The Crisis Situations web-page on the Mansfield University website lists tips on what to do during a fire.

Fire drills are an important factor to safety and prevention. They are held monthly for all residence halls and two times a year on all other campus buildings. Jim Welch is the Environmental Health and Safety Coordinator at Mansfield. "Always assume it is a real emergency. It is not an issue about speed, but about proper evacuation," Welch said. In March of 2007, the university started doing random room checks during fire drills to make sure that everyone was evacuated. If students are found in their room, they will be turned in to residence life.

According to Welch, a dorm room can be fully ablaze within three to four minutes. Because of this, the sprinkler systems in the dormitories are tested quarterly

in a year, and the fire extinguishers are checked on an annual basis.

"Quite often we have little fires or smoke from unattended cooking in residence halls," Welch said.

Both fires that killed the students occurred in off campus buildings. "Locally we don't have any sponsored houses, so our biggest thing for fire safety falls back on the renters' responsibility," Welch said. Home owners should check to see if their smoke detectors are working, and to provide themselves with a fire safe environment.

FIRE SAFETY TIPS

❖ Know exactly where your emergency exits are located.

❖ Always regard the fire alarm, even when you believe it may be "just another drill." Assuming it's false could put your life and others in jeopardy.

❖ Don't use illegal appliances in the residence halls.

❖ If you suspect fire in the hallway, don't open your door. Feel the door to see if it's hot. Stuff towels or sheets under your door so less smoke can enter. Stay close to the ground where the air is clearer.

❖ Don't tamper with fire equipment such as extinguishers, hoses, and alarm boxes. Malfunctioning equipment can be a matter of life and death in a real fire situation.

❖ If you see smoke or fire, pull the fire alarm and if time allows, call University Police at 662-4900.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

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On Nov. 29 1947, despite strong Arab opposition, the United Nations votes for the partition of Palestine and the creation of an independent Jewish state.

ENVIRONMENTAL TIPS OF THE WEEK

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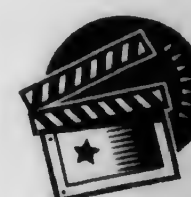
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TAURUS

April 20-May 20

Speak up now, or you'll need to stay quiet for quite a while. You've got a limited opportunity to make certain feelings known, but if you don't take advantage of it, you won't see another for a while.

GEMINI

May 21-June 21

You're prone to mood swings today, especially if you're disappointed by coworkers or family members. Try not to take it out on them too much, but do be honest if they ask you what's going on.

CANCER

June 22-July 22

Your intuition is always quite strong, but you need to pay extra attention to it right now. It may not be perfectly clear, but its accuracy is off the charts -- so make sure to do exactly what it tells you to do.

LEO

July 23-August 22

Don't give up! You've still got plenty to do and it could very well be that you get more on your plate tomorrow. Today's persistence will pay off in a big way, especially if the right people are paying attention.

VIRGO

August 23-September 22

It's one of those days that seems too big at first glance, but if you take a deep breath before diving into it, you'll remember that you've got friends and allies who have got your back. Call them in!

LIBRA

September 23-October 22

It's just one of those days when things move more slowly than you would like. Try to stay upbeat about it -- there's no use breaking a frown over a situation you've got no control over. Take a breather!

SCORPIO

October 23 - November 21

Your powerful spiritual and emotional energy is manifesting in dream visions of shocking clarity. Unfortunately, sometimes our brains aren't good at remembering them, but they should still affect you deeply.

SAGITTARIUS

November 22-December 21

You're not entirely sure what's going on with that new romance, job or opportunity, so now is the time to ask big questions. You may not get the answers you're hoping for, so be prepared to back out if necessary.

CAPRICORN

December 22-January 19

You are spending a lot of time with one person, though it may not be a romantic situation. A good friend or close coworker may just be absorbing most of your energy and it is all for the best.

AQUARIUS

January 20-February 18

Try not to over think the problems facing you at home -- just deal with them and move on. They aren't going to get any more complicated, but you do need to make sure they are dealt with quickly.

PISCES

February 19-March 20

Your heart is drawn to music today -- but not just through your iPod. It could be bird songs, highway noise or all sorts of other kinds of sounds that put you in a more spiritual frame of mind.

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Monopoly Releases Special 'Regular Monopoly' Edition

PAWTUCKET, RI - Following the success of its Star Wars Monopoly, I Love Lucy Monopoly, College Monopoly, Monopoly Junior, and Monopoly Electronic Banking Edition, Hasbro announced Monday the release of its latest Monopoly incarnation, Regular Monopoly Monopoly.

"This unique 'regular' version of the classic board game will feature faithful reproductions of the Monopoly game board, money, and game pieces such as a thimble, top hat, and Scottie dog," read a Hasbro press release on the new game, which also replaces the

iconic, high-valued properties of Mariowalk and Luigi Place with its own fancifully named "Boardwalk" and "Park Place." "We at Hasbro continue to be amazed at how a nearly 80-year-old real-estate game easily transitions into all these diverse and unpredictable forms."

Hasbro also announced that it will release an all-new, non-deluxe edition of Scrabble for the holiday season.

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Parking chief fired for illegal parking

ROME (Reuters) - Rome's mayor sacked the city's traffic and parking chief on Sunday after a newspaper reported he parked his car in a no parking zone and displayed a handicapped permit that belonged to an 86-year old woman.

Giovanni Catanzaro parked his red Alfa Romeo Brera in a tow away zone near the Spanish Steps in central Rome before heading off to a restaurant on Friday night, Roman daily Il Messaggero reported on Sunday, complete with pictures from the scene.

His car displayed a permit for disabled drivers that was no longer valid and initially issued to a senior citizen, the paper said, noting that

officials almost never tow away a disabled person's vehicle no matter where it is parked.

A spokesman for Rome Mayor Walter Veltroni said Catanzaro had been removed from his post as head of the city's municipal police force that oversees traffic and parking violations after the newspaper report.

Rome has a series of restrictions on driving and parking along many of its narrow, cobblestoned streets, though parking illegally -- often on sidewalks and crosswalks -- is a common sight across the city.

- Mon Nov 26, 2007

Dear Flashlight Readers,

For my first installment I thought I might start with my own letter to explain our reasoning behind starting this column. I am currently a senior psychology major and this semester I did my internship at the Advocacy Center. After fielding many questions asked by UNV 1100 classes, I realized many students have really important questions they want to ask but aren't sure who to approach. Through my studies and work here at the Advocacy Center I have gained a great deal of knowledge, mostly surrounding relationship issues and how people deal with them. Realistically we have a "relationship" with everyone we come in contact with, so this is a pretty broad area that can be the basis for countless number of issues.

By taking questions from other students I hope to provide a different perspective, options for action, and an honest response. Despite this column first being named an "advice" column and the contact website being flashadvice@gmail.com, it is not my intent to give advice. I might from time to time say what I might do in different situations but that in no way means it's the "right" thing to do. I simply want to be clear that I am not a professional anything and any response you may read is not professional advice or advisement. Even in my future career, giving advice is not encouraged so my goal with this column will be to provide information and new perspectives on situations you might have questions about. Also remember if you are experiencing a problem, chances are someone else is too, so we can all benefit from reading your questions!

That being said, I'd like to thank the Flashlight for providing me with this opportunity and my two internship advisors for encouraging me to take this on. I hope also that this column can be a lot of fun for me and all of you readers. I'm sure there will be serious questions just as I am sure there will be some pretty humorous ones. If you have one please write in but remember to keep it all confidential, change names, and sign creatively (ie. "Sleepless in Seattle"). I've heard some people ask, "Well, won't you be able to see what e-mail the questions come from?" and the answer to that is yes, but I am the only person with access to that e-mail account and I will uphold the strictest confidence in all that I do, so I can assure you that all questions are confidential. Also, I reserve the right to edit questions to ensure that they remain anonymous.

OK, enough with the boring stuff, here are the first three questions I received. Let's hope next week there's a few more in my inbox!



Sometimes we just don't mix.

talk to Tarreto

Sincerely,
Tarreto



Dear Talk to Tarreto,

Isn't it funny how distant men can be? One would think that answering a simple call would be an easy task, but no! Apparently picking up a phone is a complex process that the male brain cannot seem to grasp. My boyfriend told me last week he was going to be really busy until the rest of the semester and now he won't call me back. I will even show up to his room and knock but he's never there. What happened? How can a person be so selfish to just write someone off like this? Should I keep trying?

Sincerely,

"Sitting, waiting, wishing"

Dear "Sitting, waiting, wishing,"

It does seem your man has written you off, and you're right, what a rude and hurtful way to do so. Whether or not you should keep trying is obviously your decision but let's look at your options. You can stick around, keep calling, walk the line of stalking behavior and maybe once his "busy" semester is over he'll call you back and things will go back to "normal" again until he gets busy, or bored, or the summer comes and you're apart, or he just feels like not calling you again for months at a time. Or, you could throw that fish back and move on to bigger seas. It seems like you're a pretty devoted girlfriend, you're not even tempted to cheat when it seems as though the relationship is over, I know many upstanding men (who call back) find fidelity a very attractive quality. It just seems to me that any man who claims to care about you should at least return one phone call, even if to say he's really busy and won't be able to get together for a few weeks. Communicating clearly might be hard or feel awkward at times but it really will save both people in a relationship from confusion and resentment. Good luck fishing!

Dear Tarreto,

So my neighbor's dog is a pain in the ass, but I can't kill it without getting in trouble with the law. What should I do?

-Pissed

Dear Pissed,

Please do not harm your neighbor's dog. As annoying as it might be you're looking at possible jail time. There's a few things you could do: talk with your neighbor and come to some sort of compromise regarding the dog's annoying behavior, talk to your landlord or your neighbor's, move, or invest in some ear plugs (if noise is the issue). No matter what you decide some form of communicating your distress will probably be necessary. Maybe if your neighbor knew it was bothering you they would take steps to try and control its behavior, chances are they probably find it annoying too.

Dear Tarreto,

How can I hide my tattoo from my parents for a long period of time including the summer without looking completely sketchy?

Sincerely,

"No mom, it's body art"

Dear Body Art,

OK, so there are a few things I feel safe to assume about you and your current situation: One, you must be eighteen because you got a tattoo and your parents weren't there to sign your consent form or they would know about it and, Two, this makes you a legal adult. Now, I know that parents don't like that whole "legal adult" line (you'll always be their baby) but you made this very permanent adult decision so it might be time to face the adult consequences. However, if you face disownment, removal of financial support, or physical harm it may be much more difficult to flaunt that new tat with pride. In any case, if you decide to try and hide it you'll have to be the one to figure out how to strategically always have your hand on your hip at the beach. Just remember, guilt trips only work if you let them and "disappointing" someone is harder than making them mad but you can't please everyone in life. Happy one-piece shopping!



*Corey Tarreto is not a professional and her responses to your questions should not be taken as advice. If you need professional assistance, please contact the Counseling Center in Hemlock or the Advocacy Center in Pinecrest.



SONY "LIPSTICK" MP3 PLAYER

Weighing in at a hefty 28 grams with a full color display and 1GB storage space, the new "Lipstick" mp3 player is a genius design to rival that of the iPod shuffle. It has more stamina (30 hours), costs less at release (\$102), and can support all file formats, while the iPod only supports AAC song files. Take that, Apple. Plus, you can get it in either black, violet, pink, blue or gold.

BLUETOOTH GIRO HELMET

Well, no more looking like a wuss with your helmet when you're snowboarding this winter. Bluetooth has released this helmet, complete with stereo earphones on the earpieces. From this, you have radio connection, iPod connection, and of course, Bluetooth connection. Additionally, you will be able to receive other audio sources, such as GPS driving information and even helmet-to-helmet communications via an intercom system.



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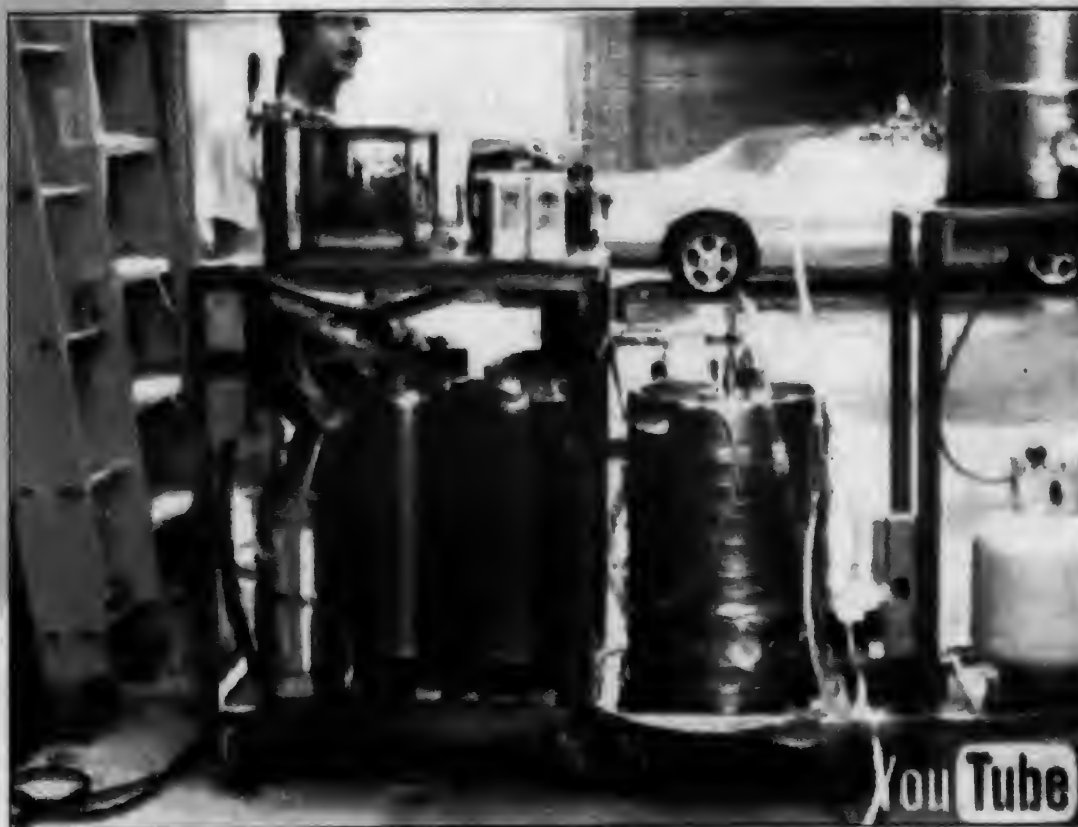
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ADJUSTABLE FAKE LIGHT BLINDS

Well, it may be kind of a depressing gadget, but at least the mission of the object aims to shine a little light. That's right, fake light. It's blinds that shine fake light, and you can either close them or open them up - just like real blinds on a real window. This is perfect for the cubicle, the apartment with no view, or maybe no window, or maybe even a basement.

HOME BREWERY



I don't really know what to say about this except that I really want this. I mean, no more spending money on beer you've had before - instead, spend it on the supplies to make your own. The all-in-one home beer brewery was designed and built by Popular Science photographer John Garnett. This device, which has cleverly been named, "The Device", does it all! It boils, ferments, chills and pours up to four tasty varieties of ale at a time. But of course, you must be 21 or older to buy it!

Opinion & Editorial

"from the editor's desk"



Refund checks- helping or hurting us?

nience nonetheless.

Refund checks were delayed this semester because the university was advancing money before it was available, it was supposed to streamline the process and give students a clearer picture of their financial aid.

However, from the feedback that I've received holding the refund checks did nothing but hinder students. Many students depend on that refund check money from their loans and financial aid to survive for the semester. That money often pays bills and rent, buys groceries and whatever else we feel we may "need" as students.

I do it, if I didn't have those refund checks I don't know how I would pay my rent and I know plenty of other people in the same boat. Thank Goodness I have an understanding landlord that was willing to wait until October to be paid - other students are not so lucky.

Despite the fact that a large number of students do depend on those refund checks for survival it may not be the wisest thing to do.

As I'm getting ready to gradu-

ate I've begun taking a look at the amount I'm going to have to pay in student loans - and it makes me shiver just thinking about it.

Rather than using those refund checks to survive now we need to look forward, to our survival once we graduate college. The average college student owes \$19,000 in loans and many undergrads owe upwards of \$40,000. The federal interest rate is at 6.8 percent - the highest it's been since 2001. Many students are paying much higher interest rates, averaging 10 percent, with private student loans.

Students often think about the here and the now and how

that refund check will help them at this moment in time and what it will buy them. But we should be thinking about using that refund check to pay off some of the loans we already have. It may not seem like \$300 off a student loan is a big deal, but with interest rates as high as they are any little bit helps.

So although I don't agree with the university holding our refund checks a month into the semester, maybe this is a good opportunity for students (myself included) to figure out other ways to get the money for bills, rent and so on and perhaps consider doing something wiser with our checks once we do get them.

What do YOU think about the new refund check policy?

Letters to the Editor are accepted & encouraged!

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Many students experienced problems this past semester with receiving their refund checks in a timely manner and may have the same problem next semester.

The first problem that many students had was that the checks were being distributed later than usual. In the past refund checks have typically been available for students to pick up during the first week of classes. This year refund checks weren't even made available until Sept. 21 and many students, myself included, didn't receive their checks until fall break because of technical difficulties. Granted, that was no one's fault, but an inconvenience nonetheless.

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Letters TO THE Editor

Educate about important issues

Dear Editor

I was both puzzled and disappointed at the story on climate change included in the political news summary section. The story on Hillary Clinton seems chosen by someone who does not like her candidacy, but at least it includes enough information for a reader to make some kind of judgment.

However, the story about John Coleman, founder of the Weather Channel, who says global warming is a scam, lacks information. There seems to be little point in running an article about someone asserting an eccentric position without support, and doing so gives such positions validity they do not deserve.

I'm glad to see the *Flashlight* identify global warming as important enough to include in the summary, but given the state of the science, with the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change releasing its fourth report, we need to be educating ourselves about the issue rather than listening to people blow off steam.

Tom Murphy
Chair, Environmental Studies Committee

Misunderstanding of Editor

A bad Combination

Misunderstanding and anger, these are two words that when they are combined can create an obscene amount of controversy. I think I may have misunderstood some of the Editor's articles. Did some of her articles not make sense to me? Did a lot of her articles anger me? The answer to this is yes. Although, now looking back, I believe that she did not mean to just anger people. It seems that she meant to create a burning passion within students to get them to stand up for themselves in regard to our campus. I believe that M.U. does an incredible job providing for their students, and listening to them when approached rationally. As part of the Mountie Guides and working in the admissions office, I take a lot of perspective students around campus. A common question: What is your favorite part of being a part of this campus, and what would you most want to change? The first part is easy, I love that every student is in fact a person, a voice, a friend. The second part is harder for me to answer. Yet as we all know, there is always room for improvements. After thinking about this I believe the Editor was trying to get us to stand up and use our voices. I will never take back what I wrote in the first place, I stand by my writings. However, I will admit I wrote that article primarily out of anger. I do feel that the Editor uses her editorial to complain, and that she does not seem to care if people dislike her for that. I think her complaints are to motivate the students to get more involved with what happens around campus. She said before she wanted feedback from students, no matter if it would be a good or bad response. I chose to write a bad one. Instead I should have taken the time out to reflect more before I wrote. At first I was misunderstanding all of her points and objectives. I let the anger get the best of me. I do agree that students should use their voices more, and not just complain and then do nothing. We are lucky to be part of this University; we do have a good administrative staff. Take the time to talk to them, raise your concerns to them. Always remember to use the voice we were all born with. Do not let your anger dictate your actions, like I did.

Megan Kujawa

World AIDS Day raises awareness

By Jeannette Buck, a resident of Gold in Potter County. This article was originally published in her local newspaper - The Potter Leader-Enterprise - and was later included in her book "The Meal Is Worth The Trip Whether You Like Your Relatives Or Not"

Tradition is a major part of any American Thanksgiving celebration. From the menu to the table settings to the guests, many families have customs that are all but set in stone. My family is no exception. However, there are times when nothing is as usual – nothing as it ever was – and it forever alters things to come. The day before Thanksgiving 1993, I got a phone call at work from my sister. My son, Evan, who was ill with AIDS, had been found unconscious on the floor of his apartment, and rushed to the hospital. Should we drop everything and start for North Carolina immediately? No, she said. Evan's friend would call back as soon as he had talked with the doctors.

We left as soon as we could that night, with hastily packed suitcases, no sleep, and with every mile stalked by fear. The last phone call had told us that Evan had been moved to Charlotte, and was holding his own. He had "gone septic," meaning that an infection was in his blood stream. Dangerous at anytime, it was incredibly hazardous in his condition.

At that time, cell phones weren't common, at least around here, and we didn't stop anywhere to call. I was afraid to, anyhow. With one short stop for a catnap, we kept going all night.

We arrived at Presbyterian Hospital in the heart of Charlotte, N.C. right around noon on Thanksgiving Day. My stomach churned as we headed through the familiar walkway from the parking lot to the main entrance desk. With my mouth dry as dust, I gave the receptionist his name. She never missed a beat. "Ninth floor," she said, and gave a room number. We sighed with relief, and took what seemed to be the slowest elevator on Earth to the ninth floor. At the nurse's station, we were directed down the hall. He was propped up with pillows, pale and shaky, but able to smile as we entered the room.

"I'm really sorry to scare you so," he said. We dropped into some chairs and watched happily as he ate his Thanksgiving dinner of broth and Jell-O. A call back home reached the family just as they were sitting down to dinner, and made their holiday a good one. Later that afternoon, we found our way to the hospital cafeteria and finally ate our Thanksgiving feast of dry turkey, congealed mashed potatoes and plastic pumpkin pie. Never had a Thanksgiving dinner tasted better. And never had we been more thankful. Six days later, on December 1, with Evan one day out of the hospital, we drove back into the city and marched with four hundred or so others in honor of World AIDS Day. Although I didn't think he should try it, Evan made it all the way around the center city square.

After Thanksgiving this year, on December 1, people all around the world will again observe World AIDS Day.

From the beginning, the fight against AIDS has been hampered by stigma and discrimination – self-righteous and judgmental opinions that forced those in any way affected to be secretive. This has only led to delayed treatment and unnecessary suffering.

All over the world, families and communities often reject people who are affected by HIV, or are believed to be affected. The stigma attached to the disease brings not only isolation, but also physical and emotional desolation. On a larger scale, it results in the horrendous explosion of AIDS in a country like China, which has only recently admitted to an impending disaster.

Africa is in desperate straits due to the disease, and India and Russia as well as China are struggling to gain some control as millions are dying. The statistics from all corners are mind-bending, the facts are heart breaking, and the human toll is inconceivable. In all cases, stigma and discrimination have played a major roll in delaying the governmental decisions that are necessary to keep the galloping crisis from becoming a total catastrophe.

Many in this country refuse to recognize that the number of infections is on the rise again within the United States. Despite a widespread misunderstanding, there is still no cure. Drugs are expensive, loaded with side effects, are not always tolerable, and lose their effectiveness after an extended period of use. Misinformation has led to carelessness and an increasing infection rate – particularly among young, college-aged folks. I'm not capable of understanding all the numbers and political convolutions, to say nothing of trying to present them here. However, if you are under the assumption that none of this affects, or will affect you, consider this. Newsweek cited experts who believe that the hovering pandemic in Eurasia will, if not halted, bring a disastrous world economic calamity. It quoted Nicholas Eberstadt of the American Enterprise Institute who, in an article titled "The Future of AIDS" wrote that the coming pandemic "threatens to derail the economic prospects of billions and alter the global military balance." However, most of the disturbing articles I read conclude with some hope.

If – the world faces facts;

If – we are willing to educate with the absolute truth.

If – we are willing to spend money on education, research, and making the drugs available in poverty-stricken areas.

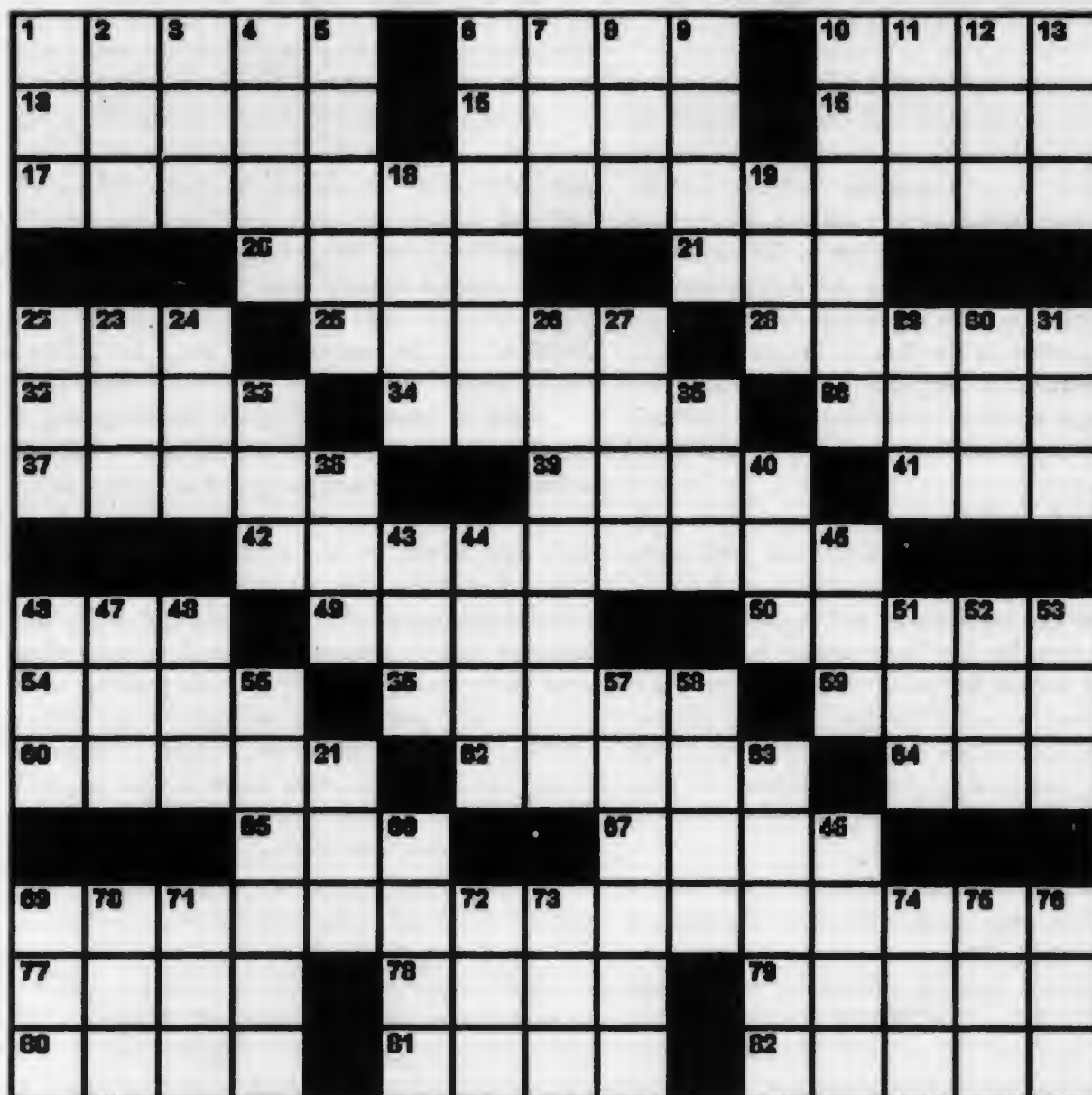
If – we will drop the stigma, the whispering, and the discrimination that has dogged AIDS sufferers from the beginning.

If we are willing to do these things, we can stall the threatened disaster, and alter those gloomy predictions.

It is all too easy to dismiss all this as unimportant to us in the Northern Tier. After all, we have been very fortunate as a whole, and few here have had reason to face the disease. But some of us have seen it firsthand. And it is an ugly sight. We kept quiet about Evan's illness for a while for various reasons, all of which were a direct result of stigma and discrimination. When we finally were forced to speak out, we realized that the only thing secrecy had accomplished was to delay support from those who loved us.

That was Evan's last Thanksgiving. He died August 21, 1994, forever changing the lives of those he left behind.

Flashlight Puzzle Page



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14. Courtyards
15. Fill with food
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46. Make the motor roar

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82. Ivory partner

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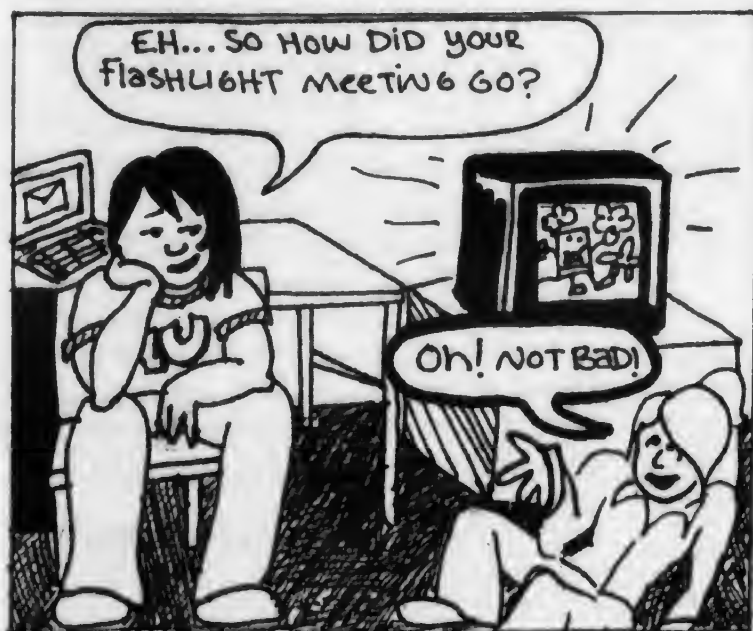
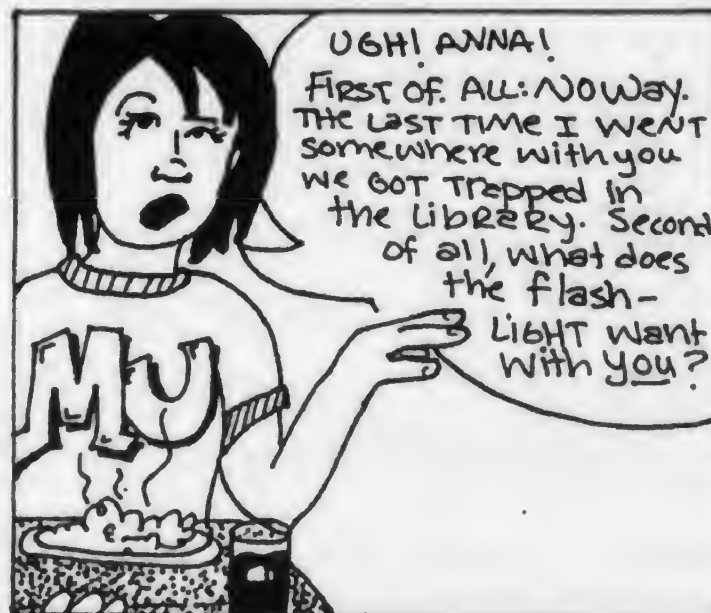


Woody learns that, while he and Buzz are toys, guns are *not* toys.



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Introducing Anna Wales, a freshman Art Education major, - *The Flashlights* new student cartoonist. Check her out in every issue of *The Flashlight*!



On the Sidelines with Josh Wooten: The Ultimate team player

By Nicole Hagan
Flashlight Sports Writer

As Olympic gold medalist Jesse Owens once said, in running "you can go in any direction, as fast or as slow as you want, fighting the wind, seeking out new sights just on the strength of your feet and the courage of your lungs."

Josh Wooten, senior cross country runner from West Henrietta, New York, certainly took this liberty when it came to planning out his college journey. From running in Thailand to finishing strong at this year's ECAC cross country championships, Wooten has let his "free spirit" wander wherever his feet decided to take him.

Throughout his career, Wooten has finished eighth overall at the NCAA Division II Cross Country East Regional Championship, earned All-NCAA honors, All-PSAC honors, and is one of eight runners in the PSAC to break the 26 minute mark twice at an 8k course during the regular season.

Head cross country coach Mike Rohl commented on Wooten's positive influence within the team.

"The thing about Josh is that he is just a wonderful, kind and unique person. He did everything for the team and that was always his first motivation. He taught the freshman well; how to have fun and train hard. If I were to describe his role on the team, I would have to say he was the heart and soul of the squad," Rohl said. "In the end, it has been a long road getting from 2001 to here, but I wouldn't have had anyone else along for that trip."

At this year's ECAC Championship race in Bronx, NY, Wooten finished in fifth place and was the first Division II runner to cross the finish line. With the combined efforts of his team, the Mountaineers were able to finish in 10th place at the IC4A University race.

Some athletes focus on their personal goals, but after meeting with Wooten, I could tell that his heart and efforts were focused in another direction. Like Coach Rohl said, his first motivation has always been the teammates around him. It's hard to do a personal interview on someone who would rather talk about anyone but themselves. Nonetheless, after meeting with Wooten in lower Manser, I came to realize what Coach Rohl meant when he said "he was the heart and soul of the squad."

Nicole Hagan: From what I hear, you don't exactly have the most traditional story. You're twenty-five years old, have already graduated and came back (for this semester only) to finish your eligibility. Could you explain all of this to me and tell me about finishing out your senior year in Thailand?

Josh Wooten: Yeah definitely. You're right, I already graduated. I was a freshman in 2001. My senior year here at Mansfield, I had the option to study abroad, and ended up going to Thammasat University in Thailand where I graduated. When I came back, I figured my college runner career was over. It didn't turn out that way though. My sister runs, and I wanted to see how the guys here at Mansfield were doing in their races, so I came back to watch them run one day. I ended up seeing Coach Rohl at the championships and he basically talked me into coming back and running to finish up my eligibility.

NH: So because of Coach Rohl, you came back to run for the season?

JW: Because of him, the fact that Chris Cummings was coming back to run, and the fact that my girlfriend at the time (who is currently my fiancé) wanted to see me run since she hadn't seen me race before.

NH: Tell me about your semester in Thailand. What was it like and did you run competitively there?

JW: Yeah, I ran competitively in Thailand. I did a couple of road races and ran a marathon there. It was an amazing experience being thrown in the middle of this big city; it was crazy. Running kept me sane through all of it. I miss Thailand a lot though.

NH: Did you play any other sports growing up?

JW: I played baseball, but in my opinion, never got big enough or strong enough to continue with it. I also played JV soccer.

NH: Why did you decide to continue with cross country and not soccer?

JW: I actually ran track to keep me in shape for soccer, but then I had a few breakthrough races and realized that I had more success in running than I did in soccer. After that, I switched from track to cross country because I recognized that I loved running through woods and over hills more than running in circles.

NH: Because you weren't in school at the time, how did you end up training for this season?

JW: Because I wasn't in school, I got some suggestions from coach on how to train and get prepared for the season. As for the team as a whole, we would run 70-80 miles each week. We'd have one long run, one tough workout and two easy runs each week to help get us ready for the meets.

NH: You came really close to earning a trip to the National Championship. When I contacted your coach, he told me this wouldn't have been your first trip to the Nationals if you would have qualified.

JW: Yeah. When I ran outdoor track, they let me into the championships because my time was close enough for qualification.

NH: You missed this season's championship by one spot right? How did that make you feel coming so close but not making it to the National Championship in the end?

JW: Yeah. It was kind of tough, but at the same time, there was nothing else I could have done. I gave the NCAA Division II East Regional Championship all I had. I can't be too disappointed.

NH: But you still have the ECAC Championships to look forward to this weekend. Are you excited about the race?

JW: Saturday's race is going to be tough. I think the toughest thing is knowing that Chris is going to be in Missouri and won't be able to compete with us. It's hard when members of your team aren't there.

NH: Are you and Chris Cummings close friends?

JW: I've been there with Chris since his freshman year. I was lucky to be able to see him transition from being a great runner to an extremely amazing runner. I just like to see him grow and progress.

NH: Will the ECAC Championships be the last race of your college career?

JW: Yeah. But this race is more about getting the freshman used to a 14 week racing process than about me. It's good for them, because, after regionals, racing for another two weeks will get them prepared for when they do make it to the nationals. By their junior or senior year, they will probably make it there. We have an extremely talented freshman



class. But regardless of how we use it, the ECAC is another big championship race, so it'll be tough.

NH: How do you feel knowing that this is your last race?

JW: Well, it's weird because, after coming back from Bangkok, I thought I had already had my last race, but I got another opportunity. It's weird because it's like I've already been through this already. Plus, as I said before, this race will be really tough knowing that Chris isn't going to be there. It's not going to feel right. It feels incomplete. And not only Chris, but we also have a few injured players, so it will be strange. But really, like I said earlier, this race is mostly to get the freshman class used to running two weeks after regionals for when they do make it to the nationals. I'm going there to help out the freshman and to try to contribute the best I can.

NH: Even though it's not over yet, what, so far, has been your most rewarding experience through college cross country?

JW: It was definitely the regionals at Lock Haven. Coming off of the PSAC championship's terrible conditions, the race had really taken its toll on the guys. We finished seventh and everyone saw us as an overrated team. But we came back a week later without some of our top guys and still managed to finish fifth at regionals, our highest ranking. Everyone received good times for their runs and we all came together and came back strong when we needed to.

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'Wooten'

NH: So far, what has been your most difficult task to overcome?

JW: The mid-season breakdowns, really tough workouts in the middle of the week, and balancing all of that with midterms and tests can be emotionally hard and draining. These obstacles really have a big effect on your running. It was these big season trials and have a big effect on your running. It was these big season trials and the fact that we got through them, showed up at regionals, and did well, that was so rewarding. You realize that preparation is so important.

NH: What motivates you to run?

JW: The guys that surround me are what motivate me. It's a big emotional thing, not just going out and running. You do better when everyone is out there to work hard and get something accomplished. I also got a lot of support from my fiancé. She was a huge factor in the success of this season.

NH: Who has been your biggest influence or role model and why?

JW: My father because even though he doesn't participate, he understands the sport. He does research on the teams and somehow always knows how the season is going to turn out. (Laughs) Plus, he inspires me, knowing what he's done.

NH: What has he done?

JW: He was a really good runner, at one time, who quit because the sport turned out to be more like a job for him. Basically, he just gives me something to shoot for. Not to be better than him, but just to make him proud.

NH: Looking back and reflecting, what has your cross country career been like? Are there any memories you'd like to share?

JW: Well, things like driving out to the Wellsboro Grand Canyon and doing long runs with the team, staying late in the locker room, playing ping pong, and video game tournaments with the guys are all memories I'll take with me. All of those things brought us together. It wasn't so much the practices, even though they did help unite us. It was the outside things that brought us together. Knowing that we can and could rely on each other, that's what I remember most.

NH: What's it like to be part of the men's cross country team here at Mansfield?

JW: Going from my freshman year, where I didn't know what was going on, to this super senior year, it's really neat to see the progression of the team. We have a lot of talented guys here. I'm lucky for my age and very fortunate to be able to witness all of it. Our practices and preparations are demanding, but extremely rewarding. Running here at Mansfield was a lot of fun, a lot of work and it's something I'm going to miss.

NH: Is there anything you'd like to add?

JW: I guess I'd just like to add that I didn't anticipate that the team was going to have this big of an impact on me. Even though I'm only here for a short time, I'm really glad I came back to be a part of the team. The cross country team was really lucky in the recruiting class this year. These guys are here to do business. I was really fortunate to be a part of it all.

JW: Oh, could you also add something at the end of the article that's kind of an inside joke with the team?

NH: Absolutely. What do you want me to add?

JW: When it rains, it pours.

Cummings earns All-American honors

By Nicole Hagan
Flashlight Sports Writer

Cross country runner, Chris Cummings, earned All-American honors at the NCAA Division II Championships at Missouri Southern State University on Saturday Nov 17.

Cummings finished the 10k race in 31st place with a time of 32:27.2. Because he finished within the top 30 American athletes, he earned All-American honors for the third time in his collegiate career. Cummings also earned All-American honors in indoor and outdoor track making him the first Mansfield runner to earn All-American honors in all three events.

Teammate, Josh Wooten, who led the team in the ECAC Championship race that same Saturday in Bronx, NY, commented on Chris's performance.

"As far as Chris goes, I knew he was going to get All-American honors. It's his senior year, and he is no stranger to racing big when it counts. It's too bad that the race was the same day as the ECAC meet. I really wanted to watch the race, as I'm sure much of the men's team wanted to. I'm really glad he got it though," Wooten said. "It wouldn't have made sense if he had All-American honors for just track. As much of a middle distance guy that he is, he can still grind out the longer distances on grass."

Cummings qualified for a position in the NCAA Championship after finishing in third place at the regional meet at Lock Haven University with a time of 31:11. His third place finish was the highest finish ever in Mansfield history in a men's regional championship.

Coach Mike Rohl, coach of the men's cross country team, commented on Cummings' success at the championship race.

"I think Chris ran the best possible race he could have raced that day," Rohl said. "I knew early on that Chris had a good chance to make it to nationals. Over the years, he's gained a lot of confidence in training and in his races. We're all proud of what he's accomplished throughout his past four years as a runner."

Cummings was the only runner from Mansfield University to qualify for the NCAA Division II race this year.

"It was a bittersweet deal," Cummings said. "The entire team had the ultimate goal to make it to the NCAA Championships, but it didn't work out that way. We all worked hard to get competitive for the 10k race and we all did very well even though, in the end, the entire team didn't make it. We had our highest season finish in Mansfield history and the entire season was a lot of fun. While I'm glad I had this opportunity to race in the finals, I really wish the rest of the team could have been there with me."

Now that the cross country season is all said and done, Cummings is looking forward to the indoor track season.

"I'm pretty relieved now that the cross country season is over. The 10k races tend to take more of a toll on my body than the 8k races, even though we trained for them throughout the season," Cummings said. "I'm going to take a short break, just doing some easy runs and things of that nature, and then start back up with indoor track in the next couple of weeks. I like track a lot more than cross country and the training is much easier for me, personally."

Coach Rohl thinks highly of Cummings' potential in the upcoming track seasons.

"Along with his confidence, Chris has also become a more experienced runner. I'm sure he'll do just as well, if not better, in his upcoming track seasons. He hasn't lost many mile races in track in the past two years and he's stronger this year than he was last year. He's going to terrorize everyone in the upcoming indoor and outdoor track seasons," Rohl said.

Cummings also shares big goals for the indoor track team.

"One of our goals for the upcoming season is to have the distance medley relay qualify for nationals and All-Americans honors. For me personally, I'd also like to qualify in the mile again. I think if the indoor track team works as hard as the cross country team, we'll make it," Chris said.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Senior Chris Cummings became the first Mansfield athlete to earn All-American honors in cross country, indoor and outdoor track. Cummings finished in 31 at the NCAA division II championships at Missouri Southern State last Saturday.

Women get first win of season against Dowling

Cross Country finishes strong at ECAC's

BY ERIC BOHANNON
Flashlight Sports Editor

The Mansfield University women's basketball team forced 34 turnovers in the season opener against Mercyhurst, but the Mountaineers couldn't take advantage of the turnovers losing 67-61. The Mountaineers picked p their first win of the season on Sunday against Dowling College with a 65-55 win.

We forced 34 turnovers against Mercyhurst, but we didn't make them pay," head coach Ruth Hermansen said. Mansfield was without fourth leading scorer Mallory Hafer due to a knee injury, but the rest of the team picked up the slack. Red-shirt junior Alicia Espigh led the team with 16 points, shooting 55 percent from the field. Clarissa Correll got her first start of the season and added in 11 points and six assists while junior point guard Courtney Brooks chipped in 11 points and a game high seven assists.



SPORTS INFORMATION
Junior Clarissa Correll got her first start of the season on Sunday in the win over Dowling. Correll started in 16 games last season while averaging 7.1 point per game.

"It's a nice win," Hermansen said of the win over Dowling. "We were a little short-handed but answered every time they went on a run."

Emily Akins added 10 points and a game high six rebounds.

The Mountaineers lost the season opener to Mercyhurst 67-61. Mansfield got off to a quick 7-0 start with two free throws by Brooks, a lay-up by Hafer and a three-pointer by Brooks. Mercyhurst called timeout and fought back to take a 32-27 halftime lead.

Mercyhurst built its lead up to 15 points with 12 minutes to go in the game, but the Mountaineers battled back. Two consecutive three-point baskets by Brooks and Hafer cut the lead to 49-43, and Mansfield got even closer with a three-pointer by Espigh to make it a four point game. That was the closest the Mountaineers got as Mansfield fell to 0-1 on the season.

Mansfield travels to Clarion on Saturday December 1 and IUP on Sunday December 2.

BY ALLEN BENNETT
Flashlight Sports Writer

On Saturday November 17, the Mansfield University men's cross country team finished in tenth place at the IC4A University Race at Bronx, New York on.

Senior Josh Wooten finished in fifth place with a time of 25:58. That made him the first division two runner to cross the finish line. Other Senior Dave Sanford finished 32 with a time of 26:55 and freshman Joe Stanek finished in 48 with a time of 27:08. Sean Vollenweider came in 79th with a time of 27:42.

As for other senior Sarah Pinkowski, she finished with a time of 21:52 to finish in 164 place, right behind freshman Irene Primmer who finished in 148th place with a time of 21:29. "Sarah is a great team captain and friend as well as a good runner." Edwards said. "She was so dedicated to the sport. She helped the freshman out greatly. Coming in this year we were all nervous but she taught us well. We will all miss her.

Freshman Brenae Edwards finished in 43 with a time of 19:44 to lead the Mountaineer women. "I think I did okay. I hoped to do a little better, but nothing to be disappointed over," Edwards said. "I had a great season, so overall I'm happy."

"They ran very well," head coach Mike Rohl said. "If we had a full team we would have finished third, but we were still the highest team in Division II."



SPORTS INFORMATION
Senior Sarah Pinkowski was the team leader this year for the women's cross country team

Week 13	Eric Bohannon Sports Editor	Mike Lengel Features Editor	Kara Newcomer Editor-in-Chief	Danelle Miller Co-News Editor	Carrie Goodyear Co-News Editor	Chris Pender Men's basketball player
Overall	54-44	50-48	53-45	51-47	60-38	58-40
Last Week	9-7	8-8	8-8	10-6	9-7	10-6
Packers @ Cowboys	Packers	Cowboys	Packers	Cowboys	Packers	Packers
Chargers @ Chiefs	Chargers	Chiefs	Chargers	Chargers	Chiefs	Chargers
Texans @ Titans	Titans	Texans	Titans	Titans	Titans	Texans
Jaguars @ Colts	Colts	Colts	Colts	Colts	Colts	Colts
Bills @ Redskins	Bills	Redskins	Bills	Redskins	Bills	Redskins
49ers @ Panthers	49ers	Panthers	Panthers	49ers	Panthers	Panthers
Lions @ Vikings	Lions	Vikings	Vikings	Lions	Lions	Lions
Jets @ Dolphins	Dolphins	Dolphins	Dolphins	Jets	Jets	Jets
Falcons @ Rams	Rams	Falcons	Falcons	Rams	Rams	Falcons
Seahawks @ Eagles	Seahawks	Eagles	Eagles	Eagles	Eagles	Eagles
Browns @ Cardinals	Browns	Cardinals	Cardinals	Browns	Cardinals	Browns
Broncos @ Raiders	Raiders	Broncos	Broncos	Raiders	Broncos	Broncos
Giants @ Bears	Bears	Bears	Giants	Giants	Giants	Giants
Buccaneers @ Saints	Buccaneers	Saints	Buccaneers	Saints	Buccaneers	Buccaneers
Bengals @ Steelers	Bengals	Steelers	Bengals	Steelers	Steelers	Steelers
Patriots @ Ravens	Patriots	Patriots	Patriots	Patriots	Patriots	Patriots

Maikner wins butterfly, swimmers finish seventh at Kutztown

By Christopher Boswell
Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield Mountaineers traveled to Kutztown University for the Kutztown Invitational. The invitational was a two day event that lasted Friday and Saturday. Overall the team finished in seventh place and was led by senior Maureen Maikner.

Maikner took first place in the 100 butterfly on the second day of competition with a time of



SPORTS INFORMATION

Sophomore Sarah Koontz is one of only four returners for the swim team this year. Koontz was part of the 200 freestyle relay team that earned eight points at the Kutztown Invitational

1:03.24. Maikner finished seventh in the 200 IM and the 100 breaststroke.

Maikner teamed up with Tricia Learn, Sarah Koontz and Katie Stillittano to take home a seventh place finish in the 200 medley relay with a time of 2:03.26.

The 400 medley relay team of Learn, Koontz, Maikner and Stillittano finished in 12 place with a time of 4:36.92.

The 200 freestyle team of Koontz, Learn, Maikner and Mary Tucker finished ninth to earn eight team points with a time of 1:51.30.

Learn finished in sixth place in the 400 IM with a time of 5:08.40. Learn also finished in 10 in the 1650 freestyle with a time of 19:40.61

The women's swim team will travel to Millersville University for a dual meet with the Mauraders on Saturday, Dec. 8 at 1 p.m. That will be the only meet the Mountaineers will have in the month of December.

They will take up action again in January with their first meet of the month on Saturday, Jan. 12. Mansfield will host East Stroudsburg University and honor Maureen Maikner for senior day.

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Men start 4-0 for first time since 2004

BY DANELLE MILLER

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Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mansfield men's basketball team started the season off with a four game winning streak over the past three weeks against three non-conference teams.

The men played Le Moyne at home, Seton Hill both home and away and Messiah at home.

Rich Miller is the men's basketball head coach. "We're happy things are going well. We have better execution, defense and more experienced players this season," Miller said.

The Mountaineers opened the season with a 78-76 come from behind win against Le Moyne. During the first half, Le Moyne got the tip-off and took the ball down the court making the first bucket of the night. Their outside shots and ability to drive to the hoop made it difficult for the Mountaineers, who had difficulty finishing their shots in the first half. The Mountaineers were able to stay in the game by maintaining strong defense.

Chris Greene is a junior starting point-guard for Mansfield. "One of Coach Miller's main focuses during the preseason was to build good individual and team defense. I think the one and a half hours of defensive practice each day really showed throughout the game," Greene said.

The second half, Mansfield had control of the ball, but the scoring seemed to be a reflection of the first half. Nearly five minutes into it, the Mountaineers trailed 53-39. Switching to a full-court press, Mansfield began to pick up momentum and place defensive pressure on the Dolphins. Mansfield began chipping away at the lead by going on a 16-5 scoring run. At the 7:30 mark, sophomore forward Dhimitri Luarasi hit a wide open three, his first of two three-pointers he made that night, making the score 64-62.

With 1:41 left in the half, Mansfield took its first lead with a basket by sophomore guard Ryan Callahan. A foul shot by Le Moyne's forward Laurence Ekperigin gave the advantage back to the Dolphins with a score of 76-75. Mansfield's Kevin Hill fired back with a three-pointer returning the lead to the Mountaineers where it remained for the rest of the game.

The second game was at Seton Hill. Kevin Hill had a stand out performance that night breaking Mansfield and PSAC records by hitting thirteen three-pointers.

"I've always been motivated to play well," Hill said. "I've always wanted to be the best player in the gym. A lot of my motivation comes from wanting to prove people wrong, coming from a high school where people said you weren't good enough. I find new ways to stay motivated every week. Particularly, after the Seton Hill game, I felt as though a lot of my hard work had paid off after forty minutes. Then I realize I have to forget about it and think about your next game. I just tell myself to stay hungry and continue to do the little things that will matter in the long run."

The game started off shaky with the men trailing in the first half, but Hill kept Mansfield in the game. Less than two minutes into the second half, the Mountaineers started to chip away at the Griffins lead. Starting with a three-pointer from Chris Pender, followed with a lay-up from, sophomore forward Corey Boone and chased with Hill's first three-pointer of the second half, Mansfield was able to tie the score 55-55.

"It's great, we have performances from different people," Miller said. "We want that consistent effort."

At 15:39 in the second half, Hill added two more three-pointers to give Mansfield the lead with a score of 65-55. With 7:04 left, Seton Hill regained the lead with a jump shot from Asa Braxton and brought the score to 85-82. Just over the five minute mark, score tied 87-87, Hill brought back the momentum to Mansfield. Hitting another 3 three-pointers to make the score 96-90 with 3:37 left in the game, Mansfield overtook the lead and kept it until the end of the game. The final score was 104-93.

The team gained its third consecutive win against Messiah University Monday night at Decker Gymnasium.

Senior forward Brandon Lawley made the first basket of the night, giving Mansfield an early lead that they maintained throughout the game. Lawley's tip-in was shortly followed by a three-pointer by Pender, making the score 5-0 less than one minute into the game. The Mountaineers continued a 19-5 point run until the 13:15 mark. The second half scoring began with a lay-up from Pender and a follow up foul shot after Pender was fouled on the drive by Messiah's Colton Reitz.

With three minutes left in the game, Greene was fouled hard. "I went to go left and he cut me off," Greene said. He came out of the game with a sprained ankle. The game ended 85-63 in favor of the Mountaineers.

The points were spread around as five players contributed to the high scores of the night. Pender topped the list with 16 points followed by Hill with 14, freshman forward Yuseff Carr with 12, and 11 points by Lawley and Callahan.

The fourth game was a rematch against Seton Hill at home. Greene missed the game with his sprained left ankle opening the door for sophomore guard Seth Cornell and red-shirt freshman Lavail Owens to step-up as point guards. This was Cornell's first start of his career. "I was a little more nervous than normal because this was my first start. It went away when I got into the flow of it," Cornell said.

Seton Hill gained possession at the tip-off with Cory Boone facing his twin brother, Cody Boone. "It was definitely weird playing against him since we have been on the same team since the fourth grade," Boone said. "Those were two good wins for us because they are a good team and I think it shows what we can do the rest of the year and now I have the bragging rights in the family."

The Mountaineers struggled with missed lay-ups and turnovers throughout the first half.

"The first half wasn't exactly steady. We rushed passes and shots and it was a very low scoring half,"



PHOTO BY CARRIE GOODYEAR

Chris Pender was one of three players to lead the team in scoring in the Mountaineers first four games of the season.

Callahan said. "We need to take better care of the ball and limit our turnovers in transition, but in the second half everything clicked and that's when I started to do well."

The Mountaineers fought the Griffins until the end. With 17 seconds left on the clock, Owens hit two free throws to send the game to overtime. Owens then clinched the win by hitting two free throws with 2.3 seconds left in overtime.

The Mountaineers look to continue their winning streak this weekend. On Saturday they travel to Clarion and on Sunday they will head to Indiana University of Pennsylvania.

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PASSHE Chancellor to resign position

By REBECCA HAZEN

Flashlight Writer

Judy Hample, the chancellor of the Pennsylvania State System of Higher Education (PASSHE), is resigning from her position on July 31, 2008.

Hample is the second chancellor since the system's inception in 1982. She oversees Pennsylvania's 14 state-owned universities, represents the system in the state capital and reports to a twenty-member Board of Governors.

The state system schools are Bloomsburg, California, Cheyney, Clarion, East Stroudsburg, Edinboro, Indiana, Kutztown, Lock Haven, Mansfield, Millersville, Shippensburg, Slippery Rock, and West Chester universities.

Hample has focused significant efforts on enhancing PASSHE's Performance Funding Program and developing a System Accountability Plan, which, working together, have resulted in significant improvements in both student retention and graduation rates and has led to the vast majority of academic programs at all of the universities being accredited by professional organizations nationally.



PHOTO BY PASSHE.EDU

Judy Hample will be resigning her position as chancellor on July 31, 2008.

She has worked to enable the universities to operate more efficiently despite several years of

declining funding. Her initiative to establish new graduation requirements and a common academic calendar across the system's 14 universities have helped make it easier for students to graduate in four years and has resulted in greater collaboration among faculty.

In a statement, she said the universities have made "tremendous progress" toward improving the education they provide.

Governor Ed Rendell and Kenneth M. Jarin, chairman of the system's governing board, praised Hample for achievements that included boosting the system's enrollment to record levels — from less than 100,000 to more than 109,000 — and improving student retention and graduation rates.

"Dr. Hample's tenure has been marked with clear improvement in every facet of the ... system," Rendell said. "She has done an excellent job in helping [the system] hold tuition increases under the rate of inflation, something that has been achieved by very few state systems."

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Despite some setbacks, South Hall will open summer of 2008

By LAURA HALL

Flashlight Writer

South Hall will be open for the summer 2008 semester, despite a few setbacks.

Construction on South Hall began during the spring 2006 semester. It was to be completed during the summer 2007 semester so the building would be ready for use this fall. However, the project met several setbacks, some which were beyond the university's control.

Greg Black is the Assistant Director of Facilities and Construction Manager for Mansfield University.

He said that there was a four to five month delay from the administration in Harrisburg. One of the first problems that was discovered when the construction began was that the ground was unsuitable for construction. "They ended up over-excavating to find [suitable soil]," Black said. The construction crew also discovered very hard

rock and spent a lot of time drilling through it.

There was also bad weather, which made construction slow down.

One of the biggest problems that developed was a moisture problem.

"Originally the building was supposed to be constructed with poured and placed concrete, but we ended up using structural block instead which needed a different type of waterproof membrane," Black said. "We believe that there were holes in the membrane that were allowing moisture in. [The contractor went around and fixed the membrane.] We've been doing moisture testing in the walls and they are dry now."

The other big problem was that the wiring for the computers wasn't figured into the budget.

"It wasn't clear through the project who was doing it [the wiring]," Black said. "Apparently the architect assumed we were going to do it."

While this is a problem, Black explained that



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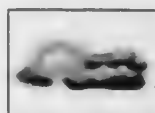
South Hall should be occupied by summer of 2008.

it isn't too big of a deal. "We have to find room in our budget for the wire and the fixtures, but our guys know exactly what they want installed and they know how to do it."

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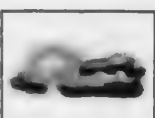
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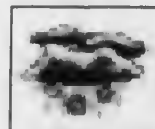
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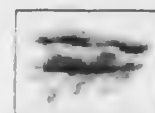
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Showers

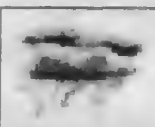
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MONDAY

Few
Showers

High: 47 Low: 36

TUESDAY



Showers

High: 47 Low: 27

WEDNESDAY

Scattered
Snow
Showers

High: 42 Low: 25

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www.weather.com

Police Beat

November 2, 2007-

A Chevrolet Suburban owned by George Gore was vandalized while parked on Clinton Street in front of Maple Manor. Derogatory statements were written using a white substance on the vehicle and the passenger side of the vehicle was "keyed" causing paint damage. Brendan Daly, 19, was charged with Criminal Mischief and referred to Residence Life.

November 30, 2007-

The owner of a red Chevrolet Cavalier parked in the "E" lot reported damage to the vehicle which occurred between Oct. 15 and Oct. 29. A white Ford F-450 fifth wheel truck hauling a 25 foot enclosed car trailer was recorded on surveillance camera, with evidence of damage to the Chevy immediately following the Ford truck and trailer being driven past it. The white trailer may have possible damage to the drivers side. At a later date, on Oct. 28, the Chevy was vandalized in a separate incident by unknown actors. Estimated damages to the Chevy are in excess of \$1,000.00. If anyone has witnessed this hit and run or the vandalism, or has any information regarding these incidents please notify the Campus Police at 570-662-4900.

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Pat Heilman, president of the Association of Pennsylvania State College and University Faculties, said Hample has successfully lobbied for more funding and helped the universities earn national recognition for their academic quality.

But Heilman said Hample has implemented certain academic policy changes without consulting faculty, such as standardizing across all the campuses the number of credits needed for bachelor's degrees.

Prior to Pennsylvania, Hample served the State University System of Florida Board of Regents as vice chancellor for planning, budgeting and policy analysis (1998-2000), executive vice chancellor (1999-2000) and chancellor (2001).

Hample has not stated what her plans are after her resigning. "I've been thinking about this for a few months, and I've decided it's time for me to move on," Hample said

Flashlight Writers of the Week:
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CONGRATULATIONS!

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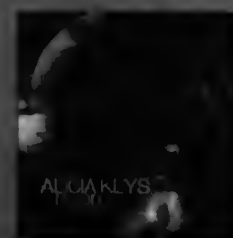
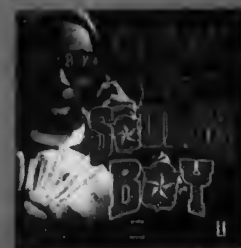
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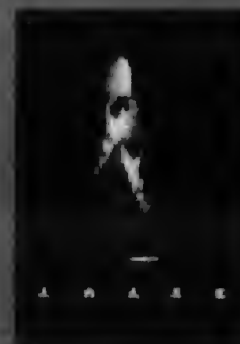
Top Digital Singles:

- 1.) Alicia Keys - No One
- 2.) Flo Rida/T-Pain - Low
- 3.) Timbaland/OneRepublic - Apologize
- 4.) Chris Brown/T-Pain - Kiss Kiss
- 5.) Soulja Boy Tell'em - Crank That (Soulja Boy)



Top Movies:

- 1.) Enchanted - PG, Amy Adams
- 2.) Beowulf - PG-13, Ray Winstone
- 3.) This Christmas - PG-13, Delroy Lindo
- 4.) Hitman - R, Timothy Olyphant
- 5.) Awake - R, Hayden Christensen, Jessica Alba



'SOUTH HALL'

Time wise, these setbacks haven't been completely negative. "It worked out in our favor," Black said. "Now we have the whole spring semester to get everything right with the building and move the departments in. Plus we are still waiting to hear back from Harrisburg about our permit of occupancy." Until this permit is received no one is allowed to legally occupy the building.

In addition to the wiring the university is also responsible for installing door locks, screens, whiteboards and overhead projectors.

South Hall is approximately 33,000 sq. ft. which is roughly the same size as the old South Hall, but it has a different layout.

It will house the Psychology and Health Psychology departments along with counseling rooms and admissions. "The goal was to make it a 'One stop shop,'" Black said. "We hope that it is a lot easier for students because everything you need to do, records and admissions, it's all here."

One unique room is the Admissions Theatre Room. This room will be used during student orientations to show the students videos and slide presentations.

Black believes that the building is getting all new furniture, except for what the professors want to bring with them from their old offices.

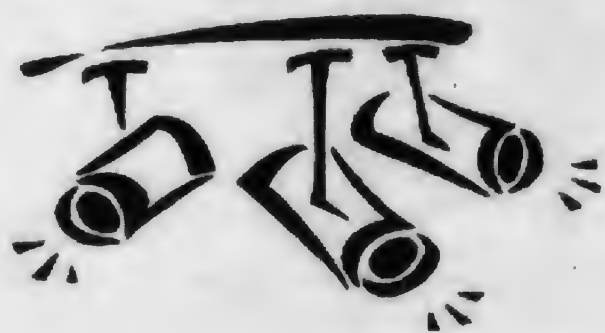
After the building is complete and all furniture and wiring are installed South Hall will have cost over \$7 million.

"I think every one's going to like it," Black said. "People just want to get moving and get in here."

The next project is the reconstruction of Allen Hall. It is planned to begin at the end of summer 2008 and take just over a year to complete.

Spotlight on Campus:

SISTERHOOD OF SOPHIA



By REBECCA HAZEN

Flashlight Writer

Sisterhood of Sophia is an organization that brings awareness to women's issues worldwide.

The organization was created by Meghan Olney who is the President of Sisterhood of Sophia. (SOS) It was created last spring based on a similar group at Harvard University. Olney took their constitution and molded it to her own personal mission.

The name Sisterhood of Sophia was named after the Greek Goddess of wisdom, Sophia. The girls who were starting the organization also wanted it to be a sisterhood, so the name

was born. It also makes the acronym SOS. Ashley Winnie is the Vice President of SOS. "The acronym is great because it stands as a call for help for women," Winnie said.

One of the main reasons why SOS was started was because they find women are more likely to assume leadership roles on campus, but there still was a gap that didn't talk about women's issues. Women are still a minority and they want to be out there and be advocates.

Sisterhood of Sophia has participated in many activities so far. They took part in a "keeping youth off of alcohol and drugs picnic in Blossburg." They participated in a Take Back the Night Walk and they have started a body peace treaty. Recently they set up a table and handed out ribbons for AIDS awareness day.

SOS has already made an impact on campus. They made a display in North Hall Library that contained images of female models in swimsuits and skimpy outfits. The goal was for people to be shocked and offended and that is exactly what happened. "We want there to be a more positive image of women on campus," Olney said. Also, before SOS, no

organizations have been supportive of AIDS. "It's not that we will make an impact, but we already are making an impact," Winnie said.

Other plans are to help with the Vagina Monologues, mentoring boys and girls academically and several programs that incorporate women's issues.

Next semester they plan on doing many things. March is women's month and they will be doing activities to commemorate it. They will be showing movies that show women in a positive image. They will also be putting on a Naked Ladies Brunch, where people will be able to buy inexpensive clothes and the money will be given to TLC for a group for women who are newly out of prison. All of the clothes that are not bought will be donated to the Salvation Army.

It is important to know that SOS is a feminist group, but they do not want to be judged. "We are reinventing the word feminist. We want to be more approachable," said Olney. Men are also welcome, as they can be feminists as well.

Psychic Madman makes appearance at Mansfield

By STEPHEN STEFAN

Flashlight Writer

Jim Karol, the Psychic Madman, preformed a show of mind reading tricks for Mansfield University students on Nov. 30 in room 307 Alumni Hall.

He started the show by performing a card trick with two volunteers. Karol had the first volunteer choose a card and threw the deck of cards across the room, leaving the chosen card sticking to the window in the back of the room. The second volunteer was asked to say a card and Karol proceeded to throw the deck of cards at her. He asked her to look in her shirt and give him the cards. She pulled out the card that she had said.

For his second trick, 56 envelopes were passed out to the audience. Inside the envelopes were celebrity pictures and jumbo sized cards. The audience shuffled their envelopes among each other until another audience member yelled "stop." That same audience member chose a random envelope and placed it on a table on stage. Karol was able to guess the card and celebrity photograph.

Karol has been on many television shows such as "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno," "The Ellen DeGeneres Show" and "Phenomenon." He also starred in "Jackass 2."

"My claim to fame is being the guy who throws cards at Wee-Mans' butt and shocks him with the chair," Karol said.

He also performed a mind reading trick where he had a volunteer place a color on a cube facing upward in a box and then covering it with a lid. Without



PHOTO BY WWW.MINDWIZ.COM
Jim Karol entertained students on Friday Nov. 30 in Alumni Hall.

looking he knew what color was picked.

Ashley Valentine is a freshman at Mansfield University and was the volunteer for that trick.

"I did not know anything that was going to happen and I could not figure out how he could tell what color I chose," Valentine said. "Most people think that he picked the volunteers before the show, but I did not know that the show existed until one of my friends told me a half hour before it happened."

After the show, Karol signed autographs and performed more mind tricks.

"Advice I have for the students is for all of them to get involved in the mind and memorizing stuff," Karol said.

These tricks and other information can be found on his website www.mindwiz.com. His next performances will be in Baltimore, Allentown and Las Vegas.

Mansfield Activities Council holds second annual comic mixer

By JAMIE CURTIS

Flashlight Writer

The Mansfield Activities Council (MAC) and the Student Activities Organization (SAO) hosted their second annual comic mixer in Straughn Auditorium on Thursday, Nov. 29.

Admission was free with the donation of a canned good, \$1 with student ID and \$5 for anyone else. The Proceeds went to campus ministries food drive to help those in need for the holiday season.

The Comic Mixer featured several stand up comedians including Roz G, Host Ted Carpenter, A.G White, Corey Fernandez, and John Lester.

Some of these comedians have made appearances on HBO's Def Comedy Jam, BET's Comic View and Comedy Central.

The Comic Mixer is in its second year at the university and is an event that MAC and SAO coordinated as a way to give students a comedy show with diversity.

Nikki Terrell is the current president of MAC and has been so for a little over two years. She is also a senior at Mansfield. Terrell is the one who came up with the original title of Comic Mixer to describe the event.

MAC and SAO are in charge of all activities for students on campus such as trips, movies, comedy shows and poetry slams. SAO conducted a survey in the spring 2007 semester in attempt to better understand the interests of the student body



PHOTO BY WWW.COMEDYCENTRAL.COM
Roz G was almost the 'Last Comic Standing'

and create events around those interests.

Clarence Crisp has been director of SAO for about 26 years and is the current advisor for the Mansfield Activities Council. Terrell and other members of the organization have worked alongside Crisp to make this event happen. In the past they have had comedians such as Kevin Hart and Rob Stapleton perform at the university.

"The Comic Mixer in a way is a social gathering," Crisp Said. "You have different people coming in to have some fun. There is enough comedy to go around. It helps some people especially the students take some stress off and it helps them to laugh at themselves. Honestly if you can't laugh at yourself then who can you laugh at?"



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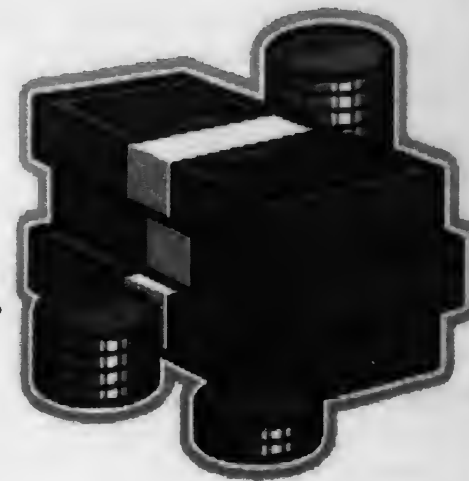
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This Week in Politics - National and Foreign News

By CHRISTIAN JOHNSON
Flashlight Writer

Bomber aims at Clinton's healthcare policy

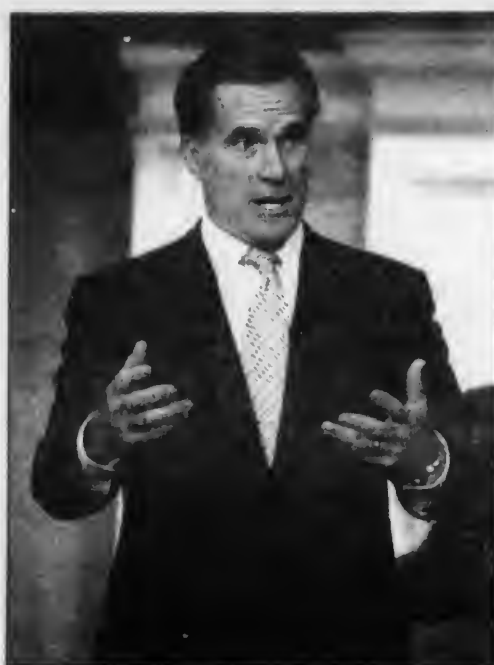
On Friday, November 30, a man wearing what first appeared to be a bomb, walked into a New Hampshire campaign office for presidential candidate Hillary Clinton. The man demanded to speak to Clinton about his access to mental health care. CNN had quoted him as saying, "I need to speak to Hillary Clinton. Something's got to change. Ordinary people need help." For nearly six hours, a hostage situation took place until the man peacefully surrendered to the New Hampshire State Police. Clinton aides said the presidential hopeful cancelled all other plans upon hearing about the hostage situation and quickly called New Hampshire Gov. John Lynch and state law enforcement. "I am very grateful that this difficult day has ended so well," Clinton said.

After releasing the last of five unharmed hostages, police arrested and identified the man as Leeland Eisenburg, 46. As Eisenburg walked out of the office, he slowly put down the homemade bomb-like package and was immediately surrounded by SWAT teams with their guns drawn. According to Col. Frederick Booth, commander of the New Hampshire State Police, the package wasn't dynamite or a deadly explosive device, but rather road flares duct-taped to Eisenburg's white dress shirt.

Reports show that three days earlier, Eisenburg's wife had filed for divorce and that he was due to appear in court with her for a domestic violence hearing shortly before the hostage situation. In March, Eisenburg made local headlines when he held a news conference on the steps of Rochester City Hall to complain about police who were placing fliers in unlocked cars warning motorists to lock their doors.

UK teacher jailed over Teddy Bear

Last week, a British teacher was found guilty in Sudan of insulting Islam after she allowed her primary school class to name a teddy bear Muhammad. Gillian Gibbons, 54, was originally sentenced to 15 days in prison and then deportation. The trial began after a school secretary complained to the Education Ministry that Gibbons had intentionally aimed to insult the Prophet Muhammad. Eventually Sudan's top clerics called for the full measure of the law to be used against Gibbons. They said her actions were a part of a Western plot against Islam and that her 15-day sentence for insulting religion was too lenient. On Friday, Nov. 30, protests broke out where groups of people chanted death threats against Gibbons. Some of the protesters were armed with clubs and beat drums as they demanded that Gibbons be put to death. A group of men shouted: "She must be killed by the



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Gov. Mitt Romney debated on YouTube with Mayor Giuliani last week.

sword" as pictures of Gibbons were burned on a stage.

On Monday, December 3, Gibbons flew home after Sudan's president pardoned her. Gibbons' release came after two British Muslim politicians from the House of Lords met with Sudanese President Omar al-Bashir to discuss her imprisonment. "The relations between our two countries will not be damaged by this incident," said Lord Nazir Ahmed, who met with al-Bashir on Monday. "I have great respect for the Islamic religion and would not knowingly offend anyone," Gibbons said in a written statement to al-Bashir.

Republican Candidates participate in CNN YouTube Debate

On Wednesday, Nov. 28, Republican presidential candidates traded jabs at CNN's YouTube Debate on every issue from illegal immigration to the war in Iraq. The opening issue focused on immigration, which lead into a heated argument between former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney and former New York City mayor Rudy Giuliani. Romney attacked Giuliani's record as mayor for embracing illegal immigration. Giuliani fought back and accused Romney of having a "sanctuary mansion" at his own home. Giuliani accused Romney of being soft on illegal immigration and said that he once hired illegal immigrants to work at his mansion. Romney also took on former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee over how the children of illegal immigrants should be treated. Another heated dispute took place between Sen. John McCain and Rep. Ron Paul. McCain, who spent Thanksgiving with troops in Iraq, challenged Paul who said that bringing home troops would save "a trillion dollars." McCain responded, "It's that type of isolationism that caused World War II."

At one point, the debate turned personal when a viewer asked a question that explored the candidate's personal religious beliefs. Holding a Bible, the viewer asked: "Do you believe every word of this book? And I mean specifically, this book I am holding in my hand." Giuliani said he believes the Bible, but not "literally in every aspect." Huckabee, who is a minister, said, "Sure I believe the Bible exactly what it is." When asked the same question by moderator Anderson Cooper, Romney said that he may interpret the word differently than others. "Yeah, the Bible is the word of God. I might interpret the word differently than you interpret the word, but I read the Bible and I believe the Bible is the word of God," Romney said.



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Heart disease leading killer of women, many physicians unaware

By REBECCA HAZEN
Flashlight Writer

Coronary heart disease, which causes heart attacks, is the leading cause of death for American women.

Nearly twice as many women than men in the United States die of heart disease and other cardiovascular diseases more than all other types of cancer, including breast cancer. Nearly 12 more women die from cardiovascular diseases than breast cancer every year.

There are many factors that contribute to having a higher risk. Some factors can be controlled and others can't.

The risk factors that can't be controlled include increasing age, gender, heredity; or having a previous heart attack, stroke, or transient ischemic attack.

The risk factors that can be modified, treated or controlled include smoking, high blood cholesterol, high blood pressure, physical inactivity, obesity and diabetes.

While heart disease is the number one killer, many people are not aware of it. Less than one in five physicians recognize that more women die of heart disease than men each year. Among primary care physicians only eight percent know that more women than men die each year.

Many minority women including African American, Hispanic and Native Americans have a greater prevalence of risk factors or are at a higher risk of death from heart disease, stroke and other cardiovascular diseases, but are less likely to recognize this as a result of treatment inequality.

Treatment inequality is prevalent as well. Women are less likely to receive aggressive treatment for heart disease and stroke than men. Only about 33 percent of percutaneous coronary interventions, such as angioplasties and stents, are performed in women. Even though 46,000 more women than men have a stroke each year, women receive only 38 percent of carotid endarterectomy procedures to prevent stroke.

For one-third of all new drugs approved by the FDA in recent years, doctors and researchers don't have any information about whether they are safe and effective in women. Heart disease claims over 349,000 American women each year. Yet, women who are at risk for coronary heart disease are often not referred for appropriate diagnostic testing.

The HEART for Women Act was created so that women and their healthcare providers are aware that cardiovascular disease is not just a "man's disease" and to eliminate disparities in the diagnosis and treatment of heart disease and stroke in women. It is currently awaiting approval from Congress.

The American Heart Association is a strong supporter of the HEART for Women Act and has launched a "Red Dress Paper Doll" petition to show Congress the widespread support this bill has. Since the campaign launched last February, nearly 30,000 Americans have signed the paper doll petition in support of the HEART for Women Act and another 36,000 people have sent e-mails to their Members of Congress about the bill.



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Unbeknownst to some, women are the main target of heart disease and other cardiovascular diseases rather than breast cancer, a previous leading killer.

Finally, a pro-American songwriter: Johnathan Rice

By MIKE LENGEL

Features Editor

We live today in a time of caution. Everywhere we turn, we see ads telling us not to do this, or this will happen; "Don't litter! You'll destroy the world!" "Don't eat this! You're at more risk to get cancer!" "Don't vote for this guy! You'll be supporting Bush!" We see this the most in the entertainment world - actors, actresses and musicians alike are rallying together in a pseudo-anti-American rally that generally looks down upon almost everything we do as a society, like they are in a position to finger wag. We find it rare to come across someone who appreciates what we are: Americans.

Virginia born (and Scotland raised) songwriter Johnathan Rice is that rare find. His newest album, *Further North* was released appropriately on Sept. 11 of this year. What classifies him as the pro-American? The lyrics on the title track sing, "I know I know my place, and God knows I don't belong singing a worthless freedom song / It's all a waste of time."

One cut finds Rice politely suggesting that L.A. depopulate itself so the city can give the land back to the coyotes.

It's a first, for sure - a protest song protester. It's almost as if he skips over the political mudslinging and simply accepts his place as a free-born, down home American. It's present even in the music on the album, as you'll notice the bluesy, country rock, acoustic jams right away.

The review of his new album on his MySpace page reads, "The album was especially well received in the UK, particularly after REM's Peter Buck caught Rice's acoustic set in a bar in Manchester. That brief encounter prompted Buck to invite the twenty-one year old to open several shows for REM, including their historic concert at London's Hyde Park in front of 90,000 fans."

His previous albums, 2005's *Trouble is Real* and the *Extended Player 24:26 EP* have a little more of a Bright Eyes-ish, indie love song feel to them. "I wanted to harden my point of view, to show a personal freezing," Rice said in an interview. "My debut album



was pretty dewy."

While *Further North* may be a little rougher, the lyrics are juxtaposed with music that resembles the late '60s California classic rock. "You'll notice that all the songs have major chords," Rice said. "I wanted people to know that I'm not necessarily having a bad time."

It's interesting where his pro-American side originated - a place where most would have eventually turned their backs on it. An interview from the New York Daily News says he "struck out on his own when he was just 18. He eschewed college in favor of moving to New York at a fateful time - a day before Sept. 11, 2001. 'It was such an emotional time to come to the city,' he says. 'Everything was thick with significance.'" It's in the city where he nailed a record contract with Reprise Records.

"It's a darker time now. Every generation feels they're living in a darker time," Rice said. "But this one really is. I want to use the language that's current to the culture. Hopefully the knives will just get sharper and sharper."

I highly recommend his new record. Even if you're not looking for political music because you're just not interested in getting caught up in it all, you can simply bypass all the statement as just metaphor. He's a great songwriter with some classic roots that will surely climb his way up the popularity ladder with time.

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

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On this day in 1884, in Washington, D.C., workers place an aluminum pyramid atop a tower of white marble, completing the construction of a monument to the city's namesake and the nation's first president, George Washington.

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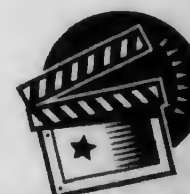
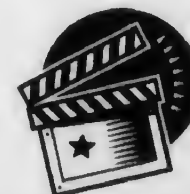
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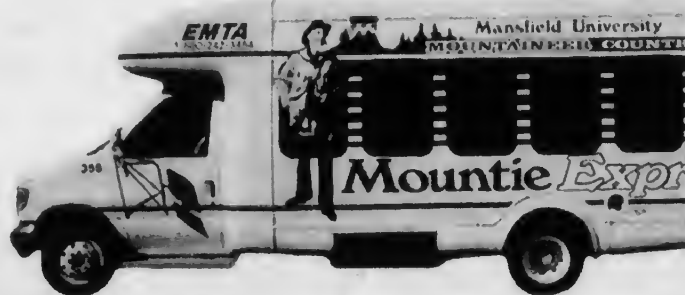
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Home is especially important to you -- even as far back as your birthplace. You may find yourself wistful, though it may just be a good time for you to phone home or check in with relatives.

TAURUS

April 20-May 20

Speak up now, or you'll need to stay quiet for quite a while. You've got a limited opportunity to make certain feelings known, but if you don't take advantage of it, you won't see another for a while.

GEMINI

May 21-June 21

You're prone to mood swings today, especially if you're disappointed by coworkers or family members. Try not to take it out on them too much, but do be honest if they ask you what's going on.

CANCER

June 22-July 22

Your intuition is always quite strong, but you need to pay extra attention to it right now. It may not be perfectly clear, but its accuracy is off the charts -- so make sure to do exactly what it tells you to do.

LEO

July 23-August 22

Don't give up! You've still got plenty to do and it could very well be that you get more on your plate tomorrow. Today's persistence will pay off in a big way, especially if the right people are paying attention.

VIRGO

August 23-September 22

It's one of those days that seems too big at first glance, but if you take a deep breath before diving into it, you'll remember that you've got friends and allies who have got your back. Call them in!

LIBRA

September 23-October 22

It's just one of those days when things move more slowly than you would like. Try to stay upbeat about it -- there's no use breaking a frown over a situation you've got no control over. Take a breather!

SCORPIO

October 23 - November 21

Your powerful spiritual and emotional energy is manifesting in dream visions of shocking clarity. Unfortunately, sometimes our brains aren't good at remembering them, but they should still affect you deeply.

SAGITTARIUS

November 22-December 21

You're not entirely sure what's going on with that new romance, job or opportunity, so now is the time to ask big questions. You may not get the answers you're hoping for, so be prepared to back out if necessary.

CAPRICORN

December 22-January 19

You are spending a lot of time with one person, though it may not be a romantic situation. A good friend or close coworker may just be absorbing most of your energy and it is all for the best.

AQUARIUS

January 20-February 18

Try not to over think the problems facing you at home -- just deal with them and move on. They aren't going to get any more complicated, but you do need to make sure they are dealt with quickly.

PISCES

February 19-March 20

Your heart is drawn to music today -- but not just through your iPod. It could be bird songs, highway noise or all sorts of other kinds of sounds that put you in a more spiritual frame of mind.

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Monopoly Releases Special 'Regular Monopoly' Edition

PAWTUCKET, RI—Following the success of its Star Wars Monopoly, I Love Lucy Monopoly, College Monopoly, Monopoly Junior, and Monopoly Electronic Banking Edition, Hasbro announced Monday the release of its latest Monopoly incarnation, Regular Monopoly Monopoly.

"This unique 'regular' version of the classic board game will feature faithful reproductions of the Monopoly game board, paper money, and game pieces such as a thimble, top hat, and Scottie dog," read a Hasbro press release on the new game, which also replaces the

iconic, high-valued properties of Mariowalk and Luigi Place with its own fancifully named "Boardwalk" and "Park Place." "We at Hasbro continue to be amazed at how a nearly 80-year-old real-estate game easily transitions into all these diverse and unpredictable forms."

Hasbro also announced that it will release an all-new, non-deluxe edition of Scrabble for the holiday season.

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Parking chief fired for illegal parking

ROME (Reuters) - Rome's mayor sacked the city's traffic and parking chief on Sunday after a newspaper reported he parked his car in a no parking zone and displayed a handicapped permit that belonged to an 86-year old woman.

Giovanni Catanzaro parked his red Alfa Romeo Brera in a tow away zone near the Spanish Steps in central Rome before heading off to a restaurant on Friday night, Roman daily Il Messaggero reported on Sunday, complete with pictures from the scene.

His car displayed a permit for disabled drivers that was no longer valid and initially issued to a senior citizen, the paper said, noting that

officials almost never tow away a disabled person's vehicle no matter where it is parked.

A spokesman for Rome Mayor Walter Veltroni said Catanzaro had been removed from his post as head of the city's municipal police force that oversees traffic and parking violations after the newspaper report.

Rome has a series of restrictions on driving and parking along many of its narrow, cobblestoned streets, though parking illegally -- often on sidewalks and crosswalks -- is a common sight across the city.

- Mon Nov 26, 2007

U. Oregon accuses RIAA of spying on students

By JILL AHO
from Oregon Daily Emerald

Oregon Attorney General Hardy Myers filed additional papers on behalf of the University of Oregon last week in support of its motion to quash a subpoena from the Recording Industry Association of America. The subpoena demands the University identify 17 network users who may have shared copyrighted music.

The University's response accuses the RIAA and its Internet investigation firm, MediaSentry, Inc., of "spying" on students and collecting personal information from computers. The RIAA has refused to allow the University to discover what additional information MediaSentry may have collected.

In its motion to quash, the University said in order to provide the information the RIAA wants it would need to conduct an investigation on behalf of the RIAA instead of simply providing existing information.

Cara Duckworth, a spokeswoman for the RIAA, said in an e-mail that the investigations took place on public networks and the information gathered is available to any user of that network.

"The suggestion that the collection of such information is somehow an invasion of privacy is indeed misinformed, and has been rejected by every United States court to have considered it," she said.

The papers also point out that MediaSentry is investigating without a license in Oregon. California intellectual property rights lawyer Antonio Sarabia has studied MediaSentry and other Internet investigators and said MediaSentry, which is based in Maryland, has no license to investigate in any state.

Deputy Attorney General Pete Shepherd said the Attorney General does not have the authority to investigate or take action against MediaSentry for being unlicensed. Investigators are licensed through the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training, the same department that trains public safety officers.

The most recent filings suggest that the RIAA's investigation tactics not only violate privacy rights, but that the testimony of Gary Millin, an executive in MediaSentry, indicates that the data mining techniques used to "investigate" computer users really only prove that computer files associated with particular IP address contain copyrighted songs and also contain the software used to exchange data files." Meaning MediaSentry may not be able prove that users actually shared the copyrighted data or how the songs were obtained, whether legally or illegally.

"It follows the Plaintiffs have shown only a potential for illegal file sharing; they have not shown that any infringing activity took place," the argument says.

Duckworth responded that the deposition of Millin was "years ago in a totally different case" and "not surprisingly,

what MediaSentry may have done years ago in a different jurisdiction for a different client is not indicative of what occurred in this case."

Sarabia believes MediaSentry may collect information that violates privacy rights. He said privacy violations are inherent in investigations conducted by unlicensed companies like MediaSentry.

The supporting papers suggest MediaSentry could be collecting information such as e-mail, credit card information, user names and passwords, Internet purchase information, Internet search history and file sharing. "Without reciprocal discovery there is no process to assess precisely how invasive Plaintiffs investigation was with regard to the John Does named in this suit."

Duckworth said, "These are not allegations, but rather pure speculation by the Office of the Attorney General that the record companies may have 'mined' credit cards, passwords, and other such information. That speculation is completely misinformed and baseless."

One of the RIAA's arguments against the University's motion to quash points out that in 2004, Portland State University identified two network users who had been assigned to a room together in a residence hall. PSU provided names, addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses for both the students assigned to that room.

Final Exam Schedule FALL 2007

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Finals are here again! Tips to help you survive the madness

By MIKE LENGEL
Features Editor

Yes, students, it's that time. The time we dread, the time we don't sleep, the time we hardly eat, the time we have no friendships other than the words in our books. For you freshmen, it'll feel like you just accomplished the hardest task in the world for a second (especially if you do well), and then you'll realize, you've got seven more semesters to go.

Well, take a deep breath. There's a better way to survive it than just trying to starve and live in the library.

- **Utilize any free time** to the best of your ability. It will prove to be the most valuable free time you'll ever get. Sleep, eat, try to keep away from your books for a few minutes to give your brain a rest.

- **Eat healthy**, and don't let yourself get too hungry. Otherwise, your brain will focus more on reminding you of how hungry you are rather than studying. Eating healthy will help keep your brain running with more endurance.

- **Stay away from energy drinks** as much as possible. Don't think that by drinking one a night, you'll be able to stay up longer, thus getting more studying done. You'll actually crash, making you more tired the next day.

- **Switch studying spots**. Don't just stay in your room, or the same seat in the library. Maybe try Jazzman's or Night and Day, or study with some friends. Keep yourself in an atmosphere where if you need a break, you can take it, but you won't be distracted.

- **Motivate yourself!** Set a strict study period where you turn off your cell phone and TV, and open your books. If wanting a good grade isn't good enough motivation, try rewarding yourself for your accomplished study goals. Say, every hour of studying equals 20 minutes of free time.

- **Finally, stay calm**. If you try to rush through the exam, you surely screw up. Take your time, think straight, and think of how happy you'll be once you're done.

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As we enter yet another new year, one can't help but think of our parents thought music could never get better than the 1950s. They thought the VCR was the greatest invention of the 20th century in just about every type of media. They thought they were the future. We have cellphones that fit literally in the palm of your hand.

What's next? More iPod space? *Higher* definition?

To appreciate 2008, we must first appreciate what 2007 gave us. *Superbad* or the return of Jay-Z? No 2007, no new Mercedes.

It's been a good year, surely one to remember. It's a year of progress in fields like medicine, arts and politics and another year for the future. Hence for our takeover of the world. Whether we believe in it or not, the future has to offer and think, "Wow, how did I get here?" We must remember our iPhones and Blu-Rays and think:

"Well, in M...



IT'S TIME GOODBYE HELLO



Top 10 Albums
as compiled from critics' submissions

1. Radiohead, "In Rainbows"
2. M.I.A., "Kala"
3. Animal Collective, "Strawberry Jam"
4. LCD Soundsystem, "Sound of Silver"
5. The National, "Boxer"
6. The White Stripes, "Icky Thump"
7. Arcade Fire, "Neon Bible"
8. Panda Bear, "Person Pitch"
9. Of Montreal, "Hissing Fauna are ..."
10. Jens Lekman, "Night Falls Over ..."



ink about what opportunities lay ahead! Think about it, the cassette tape, and now we have 80 GB iPod Videos. The time, and now we have Blu-Ray disks and DVD players. We were so cool with their Zach Morris box phones, and now we have them in our hand.

on? Free music for all?

at 2007 gave us. What would the year have been without the Mercedes-Benz GL class! No 2007, no Radiohead!

's been full of technology changes, new advancements in science, and for the young people of the college campus to gain experience. It or not, we too will one day see what the next generation has in store. We'll see hovering cars and super space stations and

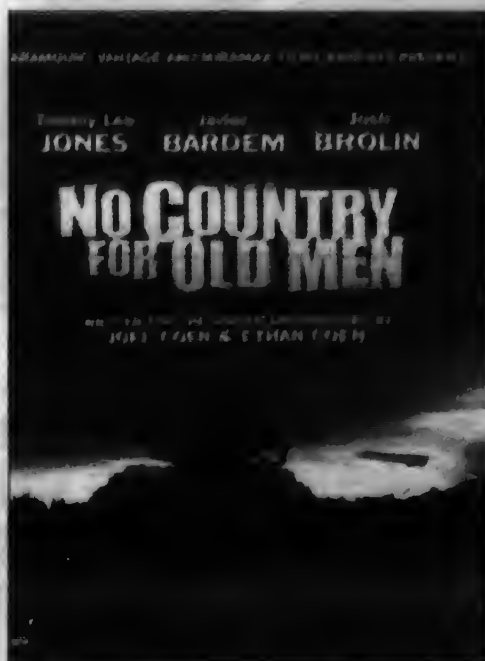
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TIME TO SAY GOODBYE 2007! WELCOME 2008!

Top 10 Movies

as compiled from campus submissions

1. "No Country for Old Men"
2. "Zodiac"
3. "Superbad"
4. "Knocked Up"
5. "Grindhouse"
6. "300"
7. "Ratatouille"
8. "Michael Clayton"
9. "Once"
10. "The Assassination of Jesse ..."



The space shuttle Discovery had a successful takeoff and continues to improve conditions on the International Space Station. It's made 34 missions (while most don't have more than 10), spent almost a full year in space and flown 98,710,673 total miles as of this mission. And we complain when our cars don't start.



Al Gore won the Nobel Peace Prize for his outstanding work in global warming. If you haven't seen *An Inconvenient Truth*, drop this paper and do it now. This is why he won the most distinguished medal in science.

Opinion & Editorial

"from the editor's desk"



Goodbye and Good Luck

I debated for awhile about what I wanted to write my last editorial on. Since I couldn't decide, I'm going to write about a couple things.

First - there were some decisions made at the SGA meeting on Monday night that I don't believe are beneficial to Mansfield's students. The one that I had a major problem with is the decision to make the treasurer of SGA the chair of Committee on Finance beginning in the Fall of 2008. True, this decision doesn't affect me because I'll be out of here by then (Woo!) but it does affect the majority of students on this campus. To me, this creates no checks and balances between SGA and COF and how money is spent.

COF and SGA control all of the money and how it is spent on the campus, what types of activities come here, concerts, how much money organizations get and so on. This is your money and they're choosing how to spend it without input from the majority of the student body. Granted, that is not their fault. Students were ready to protest SGA E-board getting paid last year, but this is just as important and no one was there to protest. Which is why I want to encourage students to take an active interest in things like this. Become a senator in SGA or just come to an SGA meeting. (They're at 9:15 p.m. on Mondays)

There is nothing to lose by becoming involved - you only have things to gain.

There. I've said my final piece, my final opinion - become involved in SGA - in anything! Just take an active role on this campus and you'll improve your college experience and have the opportunity to improve other student's experiences.

Second - Now it's time for the traditional "Good-bye." I've been the Editor of The Flashlight for a year

and a half now, it's time to say good-bye but it's bittersweet nonetheless. I've grown to love this paper, all of the people involved with it and all the people I've met through it.

I won't miss the late nights (4 a.m. at times) but everything else about this organization has a very special place for me. I wish the staff next semester the best of luck, I have great faith in all of you. I also want to encourage any student out there reading this, if you've ever had any tiny interest in writing come out and join The Flashlight - as I said before you'll only benefit from being involved. (Yes, I am partial to my organization.)

Thank you to all of my staff

this semester - Ebo, Danelle, Carrie, Lengel, Brittany, Laura, Rebecca, Jill, Beka, Amanda and Allen - you all make my job so much easier and I don't know what I would have done without you. I know you'll all do a great job continuing on with The Flashlight next semester.

Thank you Mason. You've been my advisor for four years and sometimes I don't think I could have survived without your advice. Knowing that you're there for me and this staff means more than you know. Thank you so much.

Finally, Thank you readers. We truly do this for you, without you, there would be no Flashlight. So Thank you for giving us the privilege of putting this paper together each week.

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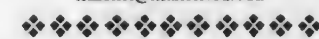
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Letters TO THE Editor

Health violations in Manser?

From Nov. 15, 2007

Dear Editor,

I am writing to you in regard to the free flu shots given in Lower Manser this past week. I realize that you have no involvement with this, but being a concerned student, I figured this was a good place to start. As my friend and I were sitting there eating our lunch, we realized and discussed how we think that they could have found a better location to give these shots due to food being in the same location as these shots were given. We feel that it was a very good idea to give these shots free and on-campus, but it was unsanitary and disgusting to eat at the same place that these shots were given.

There has got to be some kind of food regulation/law against this!

Sincerely,

Amanda - a concerned student

According to the Pennsylvania Coalition Against Rape statistics have shown that people with disabilities are at 1.5 to 5 times the risk for sexual abuse and assault as the general population.

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Good Luck on finals from all of us here at The Flashlight!

Be sure to double-check the finals schedule on page 9.

Enjoy your winter break and make sure to pick up the next issue of The Flashlight next semester on January 13!

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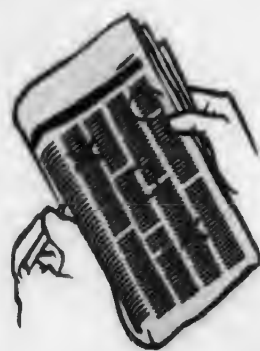
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Frosty was getting a little tired of Jack Frost's "snow balls" jokes.



Sadly, Ralphie ended up shooting both his eyes out.

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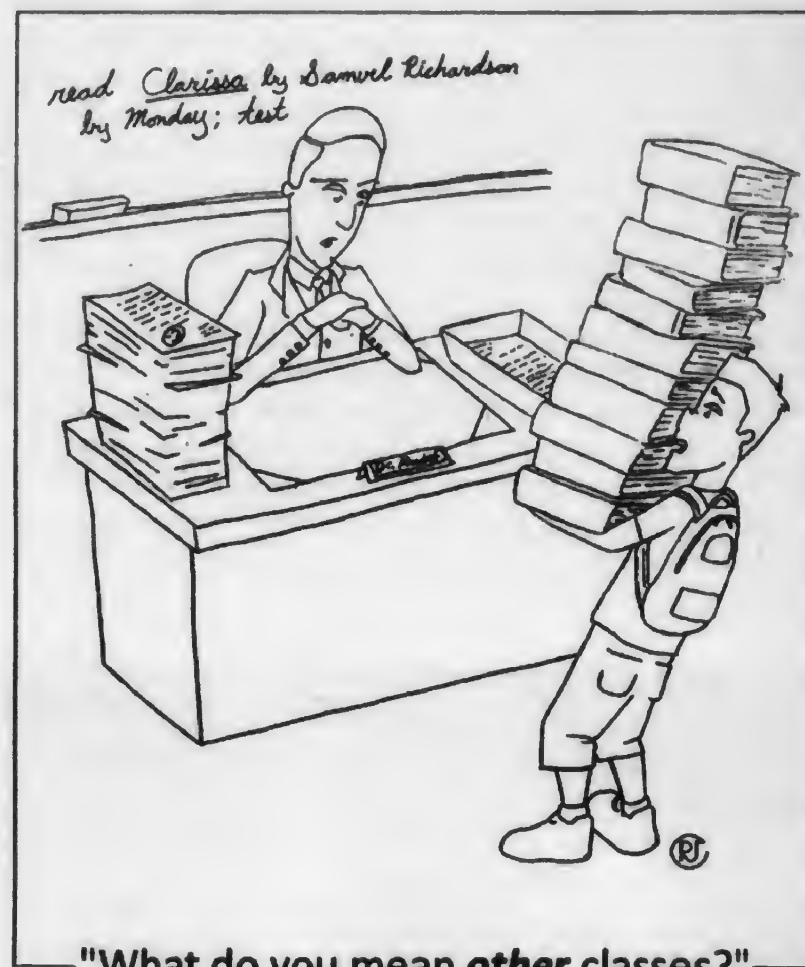
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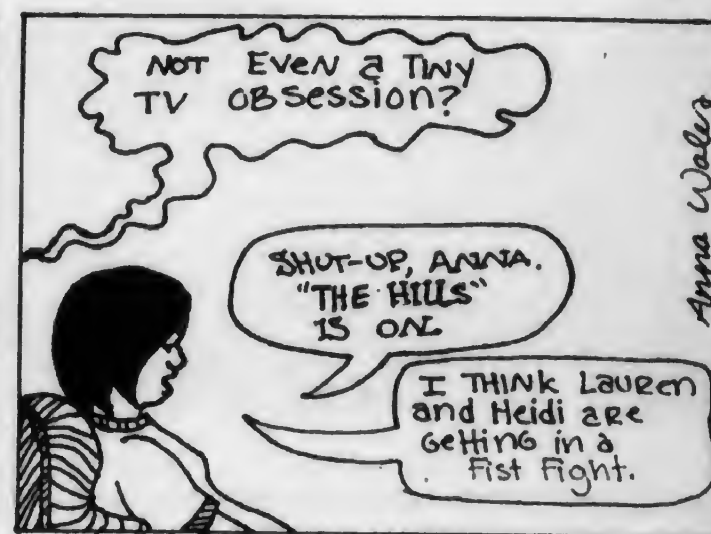
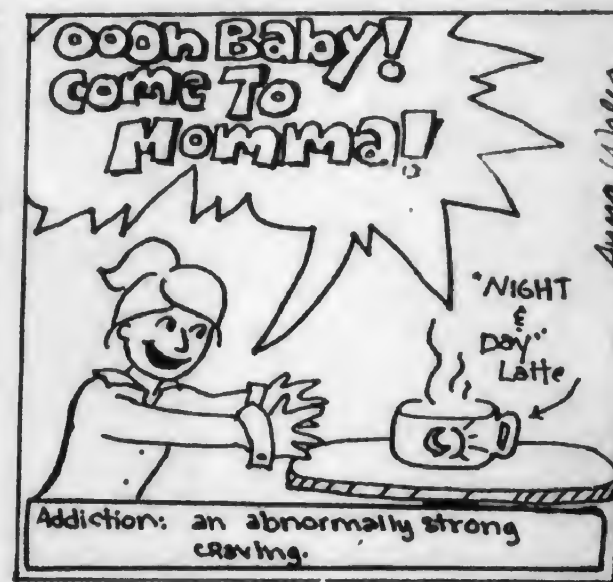
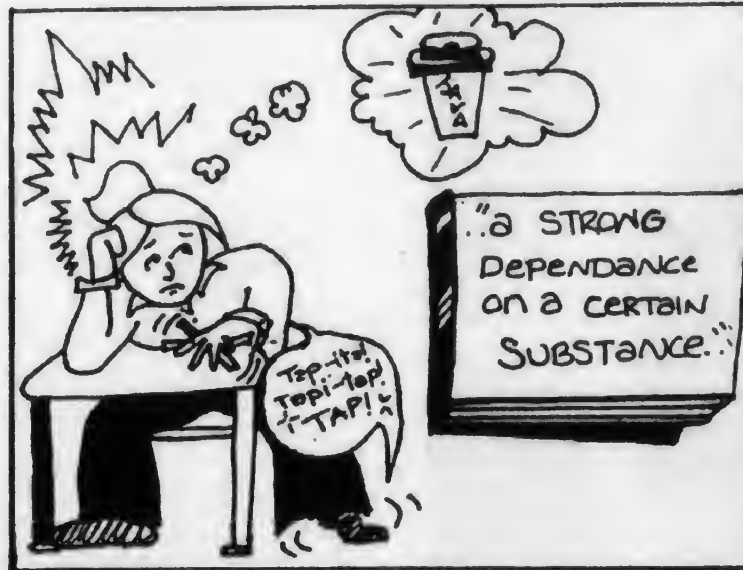
"I'd like peace on Earth, a little self-confidence, and the ability to learn the *Crank Dat Soulja Boy* dance."

Check out *The Flashlight's* student cartoonist, Randy Atwood, freshamn art major, each week!



"What do you mean *other* classes?"

Check out Anna Wales in every issue of *The Flashlight*!



On the Sidelines with the Akins twins

By Nicole Hagan
Flashlight Sports Writer

Christmas is a time of gift-giving. In the spirit of the holiday, my editor decided to give me two assignments wrapped in one; an interview with twin sisters Emily and Katie Akins. As the temperature drops this holiday season, these two women will be heating up the basketball court in an attempt to repeat last year's run to the PSAC playoffs.

The twin sisters from Elmira, New York, are in their junior year of basketball with the gifts of more experience and more playing time. Emily Akins, a guard/forward for the women's basketball team, has started in every game so far this season averaging 22 minutes and 7.8 points per game. Sister Katie, a forward, has not shared the same amount of playing time, averaging 8.3 minutes and 0.5 points per game, but hopes to contribute as best she can.

The two sisters have been accomplished competitors throughout their athletic careers. While students at Southside High School, Emily was named Girls Basketball Player of the Year and Katie was named Athlete of the Year in track. Both women graduated in the top five percent of their class and played for the AAU Elmira Lady Express, a travel basketball team based out of the Twin Tiers.

Ruth Hermansen, coach of the women's basketball team, describes how these natural-born athletes succeed in nearly everything they put their minds to.

"Emily and Katie are very well-rounded people," Hermansen said. "They do everything well- they are both scholar-athletes, are very intelligent, they bring a lot to our team on the basketball court, they are good swimmers and have great personalities. Both of them have terrific work ethics and are very coachable. As a parent, I find it intriguing to know how to raise young adults that have so many wonderful characteristics. They have bright futures way beyond basketball."



PHOTO BY NICOLE HAGAN

Katie and Emily Akinshave adjusted well to college basketball and will provide depth to the women's basketball team

Emily, Katie and I met in Lower Manser to do the interview. Based on how my brother and I act with one another, especially around the holidays, I was expecting a little more sibling rivalry and sisterly competition. However, between guest performer "Psychic Madman Jim Karol" dropping by our table to make his prediction that Emily would score 37 points in the game against Clarion, I was surprised to see how well these two sisters got along both on and off the court.

Nicole Hagan: Did you two start playing basketball around the same time?

Emily Akins: Yeah, we've pretty much always played on the same team.

NH: When was that? How old were you when you first started playing?

EA: I don't even know; it was such a long time ago. I can't really remember a time when we weren't involved with basketball.

NH: Did the two of you play any other sports growing up? I heard you ran track.

EA: We played softball and volleyball along with track.

NH: Why did you decide to stick with basketball instead of playing softball, volleyball, or track?

EA: I would play volleyball here at Mansfield if we had a team, but we don't. Softball always took a backseat because of the travel team in basketball. And track, well I just didn't want to run. (Laughs.)

Katherine Akins: I played volleyball a year less than Emily, so I didn't have as much experience in the sport as she had. We did well in all three sports though. There was just more opportunities with basketball. We got to travel with the AAU basketball team and things like that. Basketball just always seemed like the better choice for us.

NH: Did you guys have a big impact on one another throughout basketball?

KA: We've been on the same team for most of our lives and we push each other in practice or in the games to do better. Sometimes we yell at each other on the court, but it's just a way to show we support each other and want one another to do well.

NH: Why did you both decide to come to Mansfield?

EA: It was close, but not too close to home. Plus, we had already met Mallory [Hafer] and Clarissa [Correll] since they were on our AAU team. Knowing that two of our friends were going here helped in the decision. We also looked into Mount St. Mary, which was a nice college too.

KA: It was mostly between those two schools, Mansfield and Mount St. Mary. We like the atmosphere here though, so that's probably why we ended up coming to Mansfield.

NH: Tell me how you train for the season. Do you do a lot of your training together or separately and how does the whole team train?

EA: Well, there's really no off period in the sport; it's an all year thing. For the team, we play pick-up games and the first couple of weeks we do two individuals a week and conditioning four to five days a week.

KA: For us personally, we work out during the summer. Emily and I go on runs together, or at least try to go on runs together. (Laughs.) Lot's of girls from our travel basketball team also get together with us and we play basketball with them during the summer.

NH: Aside from playing different positions, tell me how your playing styles differ.

KA: I'd have to say that I'm more defensively-minded. I don't score a lot, but I contribute defensively. Sometimes my coach will yell at me because I don't always drive to the hoop, but I try to make up for it by hustling for fast breaks and things like that.

EA: Yeah, I'm more offensively oriented.

NH: What's it like playing on the same team as your sister? Are there any conflicts? Any benefits?

KA: There are no conflicts. We go at each other to push each other, but there are no conflicts. We've only been on different teams for two years in junior high and we work well together. As for the benefits, we know each other's strengths so we can work with each other to get things done. I think that being on the same team makes us more competitive also.

'Akins'

NH: How important do you think it is that the team starts off the season strong?

KA: It's very important. The last few seasons we've had 4-0 starts and have made it to the playoffs. That's this season's goal too, to make it to the playoffs.

EA: We also want to show the rest of the league that they're wrong and that we won't finish sixth like they expect.

NH: Are there any changes in strategy for this year?

EA: We have the same set-up as last year. We're a very guard oriented team. We did lose our leading scorer from last season though, so we'll need to step up and do our part.

KA: Yeah, I'd have to say that we're an evenly contributing team. I think we had four players scoring in the double digits in the last game. So, we're all working together and we're all stepping up when we need to.

NH: What are some of your goals for this season, both individual goals and team goals?

EA: We want to do well and prove the PSAC wrong. Like I said earlier, we were picked second-to-last because we lost our top scorer. But, we want to make it to the playoffs and make it past the first game in the playoffs.

KA: Also, we want to beat East Stroudsburg and Millersville. They've always been tough competition for us.

NH: What are some things you as a team and you individually need to work on this season?

EA: We need to work on rebounding and boxing out. We don't really have a set center, so we all need to work on rebounding. Also, we want to maintain good defense and offense.

KA: Our offense needs to keep moving and not stand around as much. The plays we call are basically to get us set up and start the ball movement, but we need to keep it going after that too. And, we also need to be patient and not rush passes or plays.

NH: So far, what has been your most rewarding experience through college basketball?

EA: That would definitely have to be our relationships with other teammates. We're family; we're together all the time. Just the experience of playing at the next level is rewarding.

KA: I'd have to agree with Emily. The relationships are what are most important. I talk to my teammate Mallory all the time. When school is out, I always want to hang out with her. We even talk about our kids hanging out when we get older. We have some really close bonds. Also, we've been here for two years and have made the playoffs each time. That's the best this program has ever been and I'm glad to be a part of that.

NH: So far, what has been your most difficult task to overcome?

EA: The commitment, being here for the month while everyone goes home, can be hard. We don't get to see our family much because

of all the time we spend here.

KA: Because I'm a forward, I played behind Jess [Uhrich] who graduated last year. I guess my most difficult task was that I had to prove myself and show that I can step up and do my part too.

NH: What motivates you to play basketball?

EA: The love for the game. I've played basketball for as long as I can remember. The excitement and the drive I get before I play are what motivate me.

KA: Playing basketball is definitely a rush. Whether we're winning a game by ten points or we're playing against a good team like Millersville where we win by the skin of our teeth, it's always a rush.

NH: Who has been your biggest influence or role model and why?

EA: Mr. Gavich, my coach for our AAU travel team, would definitely be it. He's like God. (Laughs.) He knows everything about basketball and has been a huge influence in my life. After every practice, he'd have a few words of advice for us and he's always been like a part of the family.

KA: He's definitely mine too. He's had the greatest impact on us out of all of our coaches. He has so much energy and love for the game for a man who is in his 70's. He helped us be who we are today. And he always told us "don't make excuses." He wanted us to face whatever we did and deal with it.

NH: What are your plans for after graduation?

EA: That is a good question. (Laughs.) I have no clue. I don't want to grow up. I am big in photography though and I would love to do something with that. But really, right now, it's just wherever the wind blows me.

KA: I'm a psychology major and want to do something in the field of psychology, but I don't know what aspect yet. I was thinking about being a health and counseling psychologist or a sports psychologist.

NH: Explain to me what it's like to be a part of the women's basketball team here at Mansfield.

KA: It's great. I couldn't see myself going here and not being on the basketball team. We're all practically sisters here and know everything about each other. We're very close. There's going to be a few tears shed when our seniors graduate.

EA: We're fun and crazy nuts. We always have a blast together. We have chemistry both on and off the court and we all get along.

NH: Is there anything else either of you would like to add?

EA: I'm just excited for this season and I hope that the students and faculty come out and support us. I love the whole "MU Crew" thing and I'm really glad we have people coming out to the games.

KA: Yeah. We've never had that many people come out and support us before. I just hope everyone continues to come out to the games to watch us play.

Sprint football is here to stay, whether students like it or not

By KARA NEWCOMER

Flashlight Editor-in-Chief

Many members of the campus community have been questioning the decision to bring Sprint Football to Mansfield University.

Students in particular are wary of the decision and student athletes worry that because Sprint football is not an NCAA sport, the players will not be held to the same standards as NCAA sport athletes.

Steve McCloskey, Sports Information Director, understands that there is doubt among the campus population but says that the feedback he received has been mostly positive, people just have a lot of questions about the program.

"I know that a lot of people won't believe it until they see it," McCloskey said. "It's a very radical concept of football that very few people have ever heard about."

According to McCloskey although Sprint football is not an NCAA sport, the standards that the Sprint Football team will be held to will mimic the NCAA standards.

"The Sprint football players will be treated no worse or no better than any other athlete on this campus," McCloskey said. "They will be held to the same standards as the other athletes."

This means that they will have to maintain a GPA of 1.6 for their freshman year and after completing 60 credits will be required to maintain a 2.0 GPA. The Sprint football athletes will also be required to maintain 12 credit hours and be working progressively toward their degree.

The Sprint football athletes will also be subject to drug testing, just as the other athletes on campus are. Sprint football players will also have access to the insurance made available to other student athletes.

"It's almost better that there are no standards in the CSFL," McCloskey said. "This way we can create our own authority and set the parameters that we want our students to uphold. As with any student athlete on this campus they are students first and athletes second."

McCloskey is very excited about Sprint football coming to Mansfield. The CSFL has made some exceptions to their league rules for the first two years so that Mansfield can become truly competitive. The league is allowing Mansfield to recruit players, practice for a month for preseason camp rather than the normal 15 days and finalize the roster only 48 hours before the first game.

Athletic Director, Roger Maisner, is also looking forward to the start of the Sprint football season.

"I'm very excited about the possibilities this program will provide for Mansfield as a university and Mansfield students," Maisner said. "Almost 50 percent of high school

football players weigh 172 lbs. or less; this program will give them a fresh start and allow them to play at the collegiate level."

President Loeschke is also very excited about the prospect of Sprint football. She feels that people who are negative about Sprint football simply don't understand it.

"Sprint football brings back the values of football to campus and is the kind of football that we are able to afford," Loeschke said. "It suits this campus; it matches our mission, it suits our resources and our size."

Loeschke doesn't see Mansfield ever bringing back Division II football. "It will always be a challenge to afford Division II. It's just not a good match for Mansfield and it hasn't been a match for a long time," Loeschke said. "With Sprint football we will be able to afford it and we will be able to do it well."

Despite all of these factors, many students still feel as though they are being cheated.

"Sprint football is good as long as regular football is still here, but without regular football it shouldn't be here," Sophomore and previous Mansfield football player, Michael Payne, said. "As far as the guidelines go, I don't think they will be held to the same standards. There is no governing body to make sure they are."

Several members of the campus community including faculty and students share Guancile's concerns regarding the Sprint football program but refused to be quoted for this article.

The search for the Head Coach for the Sprint football team is well underway. The search committee hopes to have a coach in place by the end of January. A search committee is typically made up of student athletes from that sport and faculty members. Since there are no Mansfield football players the committee is made up of five faculty members and coaches.

Deb Rotella, is acting as chair of the committee. The other members are Field Hockey coach Diane Monkiewicz, Soccer coach Tim Dempsey, Assistant director of public relations Terry Day and Purchasing Director Tekeste Abraham.

The position has been posted since the end of November and the committee has 25 applications to review so far. Once a coach is hired they will be responsible for recruiting high school students.

According to McCloskey word of mouth alone has already produced great prospects. Two dozen kids have already expressed interest in the program. Open try outs will be held sometime in April for current Mansfield students.

"We are exactly where we want to be," McCloskey said. "We're able to generate a lot of interest and are moving in the right direction for the future."

Sprint Football Schedule

HOME

Sept. 20 - Scrimmage v.



Princeton Tigers

Sept. 27 - v.



Cornell Big Red

Oct. 4 - Homecoming v.

UPenn Quakers



AWAY

Oct. 24 - v.



Princeton Tigers

Oct. 31 - v. Cornell Big Red



Women's basketball drops two in row over weekend

By Christopher Boswell

Flashlight Sports Writer

The Mountaineer Women's basketball team traveled to Indiana University of Pennsylvania and Clarion University last week. Going into their game against the Golden Eagles of Clarion, the women were 1-1 on the season. After their games with Clarion and Indiana though, they dropped to 1-3.

Junior Clarissa Correll led the Mountaineers in their 78-51 loss to Clarion on Saturday by scoring 14 points. Junior Brittany Reed scored a career high 11 points during her performance at Clarion.

"We are very proud and happy for Brittany that she is finally doing the things that we have been begging her to do for the past few seasons," head coach Ruth Hermansen said, "She is finally starting to communicate a lot better as a point guard with her teammates and coaches."

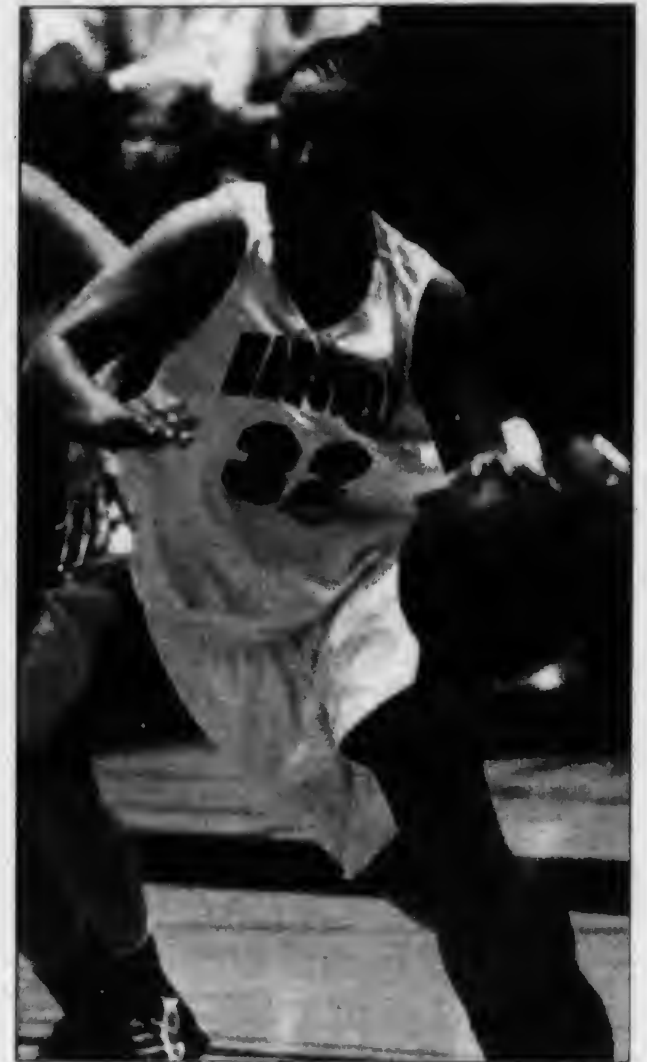
Sunday afternoon was no different as the Mountaineers lost to Indiana University of Pennsylvania, 71-47.

The game was not a total loss as the Mountaineers had three standout performances. Courtney Brooks led the team in points with 12, Correll had a team high six rebounds and a career high three blocked shots. Jeannette Meacham scored a season high eight points.

One factor that hurt the Mountaineers was the injury of junior Mallory Hafer. Hafer tore her Anterior cruciate ligament and will be out for the rest of the season.

"In losing Mallory Hafer we lost 10 points per game and one of the nation's best three-point shooters," said Hermansen. "I am very proud of how both Mallory and the team have reacted to this extremely unfortunate situation."

The Mountaineers travel to Houghton College next Saturday and then will host Lock Haven and Shippensburg on January 18 and 19.



SPORTS INFORMATION

Brittany Reed scored a career high 11 points in the teams loss Saturday against Clarion.

NFL picks of the week

Week 14	Eric Bohannon Sports Editor	Mike Lengel Features Editor	Kara Newcomer Editor-in-Chief	Danelle Miller Co-News Editor	Carrie Goodyear Co-News Editor	Jim Karol Psychic Mad Man
Overall	63-51	57-57	63-51	61-53	71-43	64-50
Last Week	9-7	7-9	10-6	10-6	11-5	8-8
Bears @ Redskins	Redskins	Redskins	Bears	Bears	Redskins	Bears
Panthers @ Jaguars	Jaguars	Jaguars	Jaguars	Panthers	Jaguars	Jaguars
Giants @ Eagles	Eagles	Eagles	Eagles	Giants	Eagles	Eagles
Rams @ Bengals	Rams	Bengals	Rams	Bengals	Bengals	Rams
Buccaneers @ Texans	Buccaneers	Buccaneers	Buccaneers	Buccaneers	Buccaneers	Buccaneers
Dolphins @ Bills	Bills	Bills	Bills	Bills	Bills	Bills
Raiders @ Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers	Packers
Cowboys @ Lions	Cowboys	Cowboys	Cowboys	Cowboys	Cowboys	Cowboys
Chargers @ Titans	Chargers	Chargers	Titans	Chargers	Chargers	Chargers
Vikings @ 49ers	Vikings	49ers	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings	Vikings
Cardinals @ Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks	Seahawks	Cardinals
Browns @ Jets	Browns	Jets	Jets	Browns	Browns	Browns
Steelers @ Patriots	Patriots	Steelers	Patriots	Steelers	Patriots	Patriots
Chiefs @ Broncos	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos	Broncos
Colts @ Ravens	Colts	Colts	Colts	Colts	Colts	Colts
Saints @ Falcons	Saints	Falcons	Saints	Saints	Saints	Saints

Indoor track has five provisional qualififers in opening meet at Cornell

By Allen Bennett
Flashlight Sports Writer

The indoor track team began its season with an impressive display of talent at their first meet on Saturday at Cornell University

The team had five members provisionally qualify for the conference meet. Amanda Fedish and Janelle Toter in the 60 meter dash, Katrina Brumfield in the high jump, Mike Gray in the shot put and Katie Foster in the long jump.

Fedish finished twenty-seventh in the 60 meter dash with a time of 8.33 seconds. "I just kind of expect Amanda to take care of business and she did," coach Mike Rohl said. Toter finished thirty-third with a time of 8.39 seconds in her first collegiate race. "It was good to see her qualify like that. We haven't had a freshman qualify in a long time," Rohl said.

Brumfield jumped five feet, three inches for a seventh place finish. "I'm happy with her development in the high jump," Rohl said. "She looked good for being so early in the season." Brumfield also competed in the 300 meter dash finishing twenty-first with a time of 44.46 seconds. Fedish also ran the 300 and finished twenty-seventh with a time of 45.14 seconds and freshman Jessica Allyn finished forty-second with a time of 46.86 seconds.

Sophomore Mike Gray finished in fifth place finish in the shot put with a distance of 14.01 meters. Gray is also on the basketball team this year and has to balance both track and basketball. "Coach Miller and I work together," Rohl said. "Mike wants to try and do both so Coach Miller and I are trying to support him best we can," Rohl said. Sophomore Phil Riser finished twenty-ninth with a distance of 10.74 meters and senior John Mohl with a distance of 10.67 meters.

In the 500 meter dash, freshman Ryan Kelly took fifth place with a time of 1:20.15. "Ryan Kelly just smoked her heat. She went from second to last to the front of the pack with less than 100 meters to go," Rohl said. Erica Ferguson finished in 15 with a time of 1:23.58, Brenae Edwards finished in 17th, Irene Primmer finished in 20th and Sarah Pinkowski finished in 24th.

In the Men's 500 junior Victor Garcia placed seventh with a time of 1:07.58, "He ran a real good 500, he's the fastest 500 runner I've had here," Rohl said. Senior Dave Sanford also ran the 500 and placed eighteenth with a time of 1:09.56 and sophomore Blake Smith finished twenty-seventh with a time of 1:11.02.

Sophomore John-Mark Stoltz hit a personal record with his 3000 meter run. He finished fifth with a time of 9:03.51. "He had a very good 3000. It was equal to his personal record," Rohl said. "It was an excellent race. I was real happy with that."

Foster finished seventeenth in the long jump with a distance of 4.98 meters to qualify for conferences. She also finished twenty-sixth in the women's 60 meter hurdles along side of freshman Abbie Waltz who finished thirty-third.

Abby Gaiotti finished in eleventh place in the pole vault clearing the height of 2.70 meters.

Bryant Rager finished thirty-eighth and Shane Chapman finished forty-fourth in the men's long jump.

The track team travels to Kent State on Saturday Dec. eight.



SPORTS INFORMATION
Senior Amanda Fedish provisionally qualified for teh conference meet in the 60 meter dash on Saturday at Cornell University

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Balanced attack has men's basketball team off to 5-1 start

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The Men's basketball team defeated Clarion last Saturday but fell to IUP on Sunday in back-to-back away games.

In Saturday's game against Clarion, junior point-guard, Chris Greene led the team in scoring with 18 points and six assists after sitting out the previous game due to a sprained ankle. Senior guard Kevin Hill followed with 15 points along

with nine other players contributing to the scoring to give Mansfield an 85-73 win.

"All the players brought something different to the table and did a solid job," head coach Rich Miller said. "Seth Cornell was able to pressure the ball, Lavail Owens contributed with his shooting and ball handling and Dhimitri Luarasi showed his post skills. Those players are probably the ones who see the least amount of time in the twelve man rotation, but they all bring another aspect to the team. The fact that we don't depend on one specific player prevents opponents from focusing on one person and taking us out of the game."

Clarion scored the first point of the game, but Mansfield regained the lead with a hook shot from senior forward Brandon Lawley and a lay-up from Hill. The Mountaineers went on a 10-0 scoring run that was topped off with two free throws from Greene, giving them an 18-6 lead at the 12:15 mark. Mansfield took its biggest lead of the first half with a lay-up from Lawley to give them a 27-13 lead with 7:52 to go. Clarion fought back and cut the score to 36-29 at the half-time.

In the second half, Mansfield increased the lead to 10, making the score 43-33 with a three-pointer from Hill at the 17:16 mark. The lead decreased as Clarion chipped away at the score, but the momentum shifted back to Mansfield when sophomore guard Brandon Smith slam-dunked a rebound off of a missed shot with four minutes to go. Mansfield further increased their lead with a three-pointer by Hill, making the score 74-62 with 2:31 left on the clock. Clarion retaliated to cut the lead to six with just over a minute left. Sophomore guard Ryan Callahan and senior guard John Hampton finished off the scoring by making a pair of free throws along with a lay-up from Greene to give Mansfield an 85-73 win.

A loss to IUP ended the Mountaineers' five game winning streak. Even with Hill's game high 20 points, Callahan following with 15 points and Hampton hitting double digits with 10 points, the men lost 72-65.

Like other games this season, Mansfield had difficulty finishing their shots in the first half.

"We're a solid second half team, but we need to work on focusing in during the first and getting the lead ahead of time and coming out strong like we did during the first half of the Clarion game," Miller said. "In the IUP game, we were only 25 percent in our shooting during the first half and had difficulties attacking their 2-3 zone defense."

Missed shots and turnovers had Mansfield scoreless until a three-pointer from Hill at the 17:16 mark. From the 15:23 mark to the 7:13 mark the men had no luck scoring.

A jumper from Hill made the score 34-22, but IUP



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Lavail Owens scored a career high 13 points in the Mountaineers overtime win against Seton Hill.

had the halftime lead. The second half seemed to take off where the first half ended. Mansfield didn't make a shot until the 17:28 mark with a jumper from Callahan.

Mansfield brought the lead down to four with two foul shots from Callahan, but then watched the game slip away as IUP's Gerald Brooks grabbed the rebound off of teammate Darryl Webb's missed foul shot. Brooks made the lay-up and a follow up free throw to give IUP a 63-56 lead.

With 18 seconds left, Hill hit two three-pointers, but his efforts weren't enough. The game ended 72-65 in favor of IUP.

"It was extremely hard to see the game slip away, but at the time you don't think that," Hill said. "You play to win until the buzzer sounds. Every game we're down I think we can win it until the buzzer sounds. We just didn't have everything go right after we dug that hole for ourselves."

The next game for the Mountaineers is Wednesday against Penn College at Decker gym.



PHOTO BY CARRIE GOODYEAR

Sophomore Ryan Callahan is second on the team in points per game with 13.3 and is second in steals with eight.